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expected to greatly stimulate the raising of blooded cattle in this section. All entries are to be put on the auction block following the show and good prices are expected to be realized.

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LATER—Bryan Taylor's black Polled Angus yearling won first prize in the 600-800 pound class and John Glenn Lee's white-face Hereford steer won third prize in the 800 pound and above class. The Coffee County judging team, composed of John Glenn Lee, Bryan Taylor and Sambo Martin, won eighth place in the boys' judging contest.

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WINTER STILL—Fine Winter this Spring, don't you think? As predicted by "Uncle Wiley" Bullard and some of our other weather prognosticators, March and April are making up for the unseasonably warm weather we had last January and February. March and April, so far, have been about the coolest on record, in this section. Following the heavy rain on Monday of last week, we have had three light frosts—the mornings of Wednesday, Saturday and Monday. Tuesday was slightly warmer, but the temperature continues below normal. Seed that has been planted is in danger of rotting and what has sprouted is making very slow growth.

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GOT UP EARLY — Dr. W. M. Ringsdorf arose from his downy couch in the wee sma' hours Monday morning and left for Mobile, where he was scheduled to attend a 7:30 session of the executive committee of the Alabama Dental Association, in session in that city this week. Dr. Ringsdorf is to be commended for adhering to his conscientious scruples against making business trips on Sunday. He would rather sacrifice a few hours sleep than desecrate the Sabbath.

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OLD INJURY—Foy English left Tuesday for St. Margaret's hospital in Montgomery, where he will undergo an X-ray operation on his ankle, which was injured in a motorcycle accident about five years ago. The old injury has been causing him considerable pain and discomfort recently.

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FIRE TRUCK—Elba's fire truck is nearing completion in a local machine shop. It is expected to be ready for service within the next few days, giving Elba better fire protection than it has ever had.

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BEARDED BALL TEAM—Several Elba baseball fans went to Ozark Monday afternoon to witness the game between the local club and the bearded House of David baseball artists. The Davids rank along with Southern League teams in baseball ability, but they also put on a real circus, well worth seeing.

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FLEW HOME — Albert Perdue arrived in Elba Saturday night, having flown from Chile, South America, to Miami, the flight requiring four days. He came the rest of the way by train to Fort Valley, Ga., where he visited his brother, Dr. Givhan Perdue, for a few days. He drove from there to Elba in his own car. Albert has been in Chile for something more than three years, where he is in the employ of one of the largest copper mining companies in the world. He is an electrical engineer. He intends to visit in Elba for about three months, after which he expects to sign up for another three-year term. Albert is an expert photographer and is the possessor of an interesting collection of pictures of South America and other scenes, taken while on his extensive travels.

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CLEANING UP—The comparatively high prices being paid for scrap metal is having the effect of cleaning up many old junk piles that seemed hopeless. Thousands of tons are being shipped from this country to foreign countries and the price being paid to local dealers is said to be approximately $7.50 per ton. Old boilers, junked heavy machinery, automobile "graveyards," and other unsightly accumulations of junk are being cleaned up in a way that seemed impossible when scrap iron was not worth enough to make shipping profitable.

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LEVEE—The dragline continues digging the canal in a northerly direction toward the Lubert Ice plant. A fleet of trucks is hauling the dirt to the levee east of the J. F. Brunson home in West Elba. It is to be hoped that the levee will be completed before another heavy rain comes, such as we had last week. In its present incompleted state, the levee prevented any current from invading the city, but backwater keeps our citizenship in constant dread and fear of something worse than might happen.

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CHECKED UP—Miss Addie Lee Farish, Deputy Superintendent of State Banks, and Mr. Young, bank examiner, spent three days last week in the office of the Elba Merchants Exchange, checking up the affairs of the old Bank of New Brockton. Manager J. F. Brunson says he was glad they saw fit to use office space in Elba.

BAPTIST WORKERS MEET IN BIRMINGHAM TODAY

MONTGOMERY, April 12—Workers representing the 2,200 Baptist Churches in the State of Alabama will convene in Birmingham Thursday, April 15, for the second State Training Union Associational Officers' Conference, at the Southside Baptist Church. The attendance at the conference is expected to be approximately one thousand. The conference is being promoted jointly by J. E. Lambdin, Secretary of the Baptist Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., and Davis Cooper, Jr., Director of the Department of Education and Training, Baptist State Executive Board, Montgomery.

The opening session of the conference will begin at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 15, and the closing session will be terminated at 12 noon Friday.

Speakers at the sessions will include the following: Dr. John L. Hill, Book Editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; J. E. Lambdin, Southwide Training Union Secretary, Nashville; Dr. L. L. Gwaltney, Editor of the Alabama Baptist and President of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, Birmingham; Dr. F. M Barnes, Secretary-Treasurer of the Baptist State Executive Board, Montgomery; W. A. Harrell, Associate Southwide Training Union Secretary, Nashville; William Hall Preston, Associate Southwide Student Secretary, Nashville; and Davis Cooper, Jr. Rev. W. L. Cooper, Montgomery, and Miss Vinetta Kincaid, Birmingham, will have charge of the music.

Outstanding workers who will lead departmental conferences are: Clay I. Hudson and C. Aubrey Hearn, Associate Southwide Training Union Secretaries, Nashville; Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, Nashville; Mrs. J. Lee Booker, Birmingham; Mrs. Adam Sloan, Atlanta, Ga.; and Chester L. Quarles, Associate, Department of Education and Training, Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Farmer of DeFuniak Springs, Fla., visited relatives here Monday.

The SINCERE MANNER In which we perform our duties has brought forth favorable comment from thinking people; we strive to show them that we are worthy of support.

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NIGHT, 7, 45 and 230

Announcement

With great pleasure we announce that we have contracted for the sale and servicing of Crewood Oil in Elba and vicinity. This product will quickly and economically rid your place of Termites or Chicken mites. And the same operation will provide long preservation of the timbers or wood where it is used. A competent workman will apply the material at a Reasonable Cost, or we will show you how you can use it yourself. Crewood Oil is used and recommended by The Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Call or write for estimate.

Bonneau-Jeter Hardware Company
ELBA, ALABAMA

BRUNDIDGE TORNADO

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which his mother, sister and others were injured, Mrs. T. F. Cravey, wife of a Dickert Company logger, rubbed an eye blackened by a piece of flying timber and squinted at the splintered mass that had been their dwelling.

"My husband had gone to work," she said, "and my six-year-old girl, Willie Tom, was playing on the floor beside me while I washed the breakfast dishes. I heard an awful noise and looked out of my window. I saw an awful, black cloud coming toward the house. It was swirling and tinged with red.

"What happened next was over so quickly that there was no time to run—even to think. Yet, I did think — fast. You've had people tell you that, when death seemed near, a whole lifetime of events could pass through the mind? Well, that is true. A thousand thoughts shot through my mind. The main one was the safety of Willie Tom.

"I knew she had been beside me. But when the doors and walls popped—that's what they did—and the roof went off, I couldn't see a thing. Only God knows how happy I was when, after the wind had passed, I found her safe. Our home is gone, but we got our life. Me, I only got a black eye."

And, while her mother talked, little Willie Tom, shy of newsmen and photographers, sat on a section of the floor that had been her playground and lovingly caressed a soaked and battered rag doll.

Another neighbor, Mrs. Murphy Stuart, aroused the pity of spectators as she stood beside her home, paying no heed to her husband's admonitions that she "get some rest" and "have that cut on the forehead attended to."

Mrs. Stuard just shook her head and said:

"I could have saved it if only I had had the strength to shut the door. But I couldn't. It was too strong for me. The wind came in. The roof went off. And now—"

However, she expressed consolation over the escape from death by Mrs. Brantley Owens and her baby, Bobby Jean, age one year.

"Poor Mrs. Owens," she cried, "got out alive, thank God, and so did the baby. She had a broken leg and the baby's arm was hurt. They had to bandage it up. You should have seen the poor little thing. I so hope they'll be all right."

The Owens, she explained, "lived in the same home with us."

Scarcely a stone's throw away, the home of C. L. Dickert, mill operator, escaped without serious damage and the playhouse of little Sarah Dickert—directly in the tornado's path—was untouched. Sarah's first concern was her playhouse and as soon as the skies cleared she ran to it, unmindful of the havoc wrought a few yards distant.

Across the street, at the home of the Misses Leila and Claud Bryan, the storm played one of its miraculous tricks.

George Chambers, who occupies an apartment there, was ill in bed. He arose from the bed, entered an adjoining room to determine the cause of the "roaring" and a fed seconds later looked back toward his bed. It had been demolished by bricks from a chimney that had crashed through the roof. His wife and the Misses Bryan, also attracted from the places in which they had been stationed—and which were damaged—all escaped injury.

Near the end of the area laid waste by the blow was the Dickert Mill. Here occurred one of the "miracles" of the tornado. The collapsing of a shed trapped 14 men beneath it and also a white horse. Two of the men, Arch Wilhite and Q. P. Thomas, the latter a negro, received broken legs—the others, nothing more than superficial wounds, if any at all.

Several of the men who had been trapped went to work immediately upon being rescued to free the imprisoned horse. The horse's flesh was lacerated slightly.

H. H. Helms, bookkeeper, said of the mill's destruction:

"I was in the office over yonder (a few yards away) and saw the thing coming. It hit, and wood was scattered everywhere. The whole building seemed to collapse—and upon 14 workmen! I'll never understand—never—how any of them got out alive. The wind gave the office where I was a couple of good shakings and seemed to pick it up. I reckon it set it down again, because it's still there and I am here."

Lumber mill officials estimated their loss from $6,500 to $7,500.

At the extreme edge of the storm area, eight negro shanties were levelled so completely that spectators were unable to tell where they had stood. Here, too, was one of the miracles, for none was killed and only three seriously hurt.

The time the blow struck was a matter of argument among those in the area. Of significance, however, was the finding of a battered clock, "blown from somewhere," that had stopped at precisely 8:17.

Citizens of Brundidge late in the day, when a good portion of the debris had been cleared, expressed their appreciation to those who aided them in caring for the injured and in the rehabilitation of those made homeless.

The State Highway Patrol, members of the nearby CCC camp, residents of nearby communities, Troy especially, and others were mentioned frequently. The Red Cross sent a representative and Sheriff Haygood Patterson of Montgomery, who visited the scene, offered the services of his organization.

Tonight, the women of this community joined with the Red Cross in making clothing for the destitute, especially the children whose belongings were destroyed.

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ELBA, ALABAMA

THURSDAY—LAST DAY
WILLIAM POWELL
—In—
"MY MAN GODFREY"
—With—
CAROLE LOMBARD

FRIDAY—MATINEE & NIGHT
'CAREER WOMAN'
—With—
CLAIRE TREVOR, MICHAEL WHALEN, ERIC LINDEN
Also . . FLASH GORDON SERIAL
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"3 ON A TRAIL"
—With—
WM. BOYD, JIMMY ELLISON
Also . . FLASH GORDON SERIAL

SATURDAY NIGHT, 10 O'CLOCK
SUNDAY AND MONDAY
LORETTA YOUNG
—In—
"THE CRUSADES"
—With—
HENRY WILCOXON

TUESDAY—BARGAIN DAY
W. C. FIELDS
—In—
"POPPY"
—With—
ROCHELLE HUDSON

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
JANE WITHERS
—In—
"HOLY TERROR"

OBITUARY—MOORE

On the 11th day of April, Mrs. Bamma Moore died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Willie Golson, in New Brockton, after an illness of eight weeks' duration.

This noble Christian character was born February 21st, 1850, near the place where she died. Her death at 87 ended a long and useful life. Until stricken, she was in unusually good health, and had a very active mind for a person of her age.

Mrs. Moore's husband, the late Rev. J. M. Moore, was one of the faithful pioneer Baptist preachers, who for more than 30 years ministered to many of the churches in Coffee County, and many live today who pay noble tribute to the influence and inspiration of his godly life and ministry. Before his death in 1926, he and Mrs. Moore celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1925.

Mrs. Moore is survived by four sons, J. B., W. W., and O. H. Moore of New Brockton and M. D. Moore of Pinckard; two daughters, Mrs. M. L. Brunson of Florala and Mrs. Willie Golson of New Brockton; also 34 grand children and 16 great grand children.

Mrs. Moore was always bright and sunny and was loved and honored by all who knew her. This saint of God lived not for self alone, but for others. We feel our loss, but a gain for our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

Funeral services were held from the New Brockton Baptist Church, of which she was a member, with her pastor, Rev. W. M. Bush, in charge. Interment was in the New Brockton cemetery.—Cont.

COLORED WOMAN DIES AT MOUNT VERNON HOSPITAL

Fannie Waters Head, colored, former resident of Elba, passed away Sunday at Mount Vernon hospital near Mobile, after an illness of three weeks. She had been an inmate of the institution for a number of years.

The body was returned to Elba for burial, funeral services having been held at Evergreen Cemetery Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. A. Anderson officiating. She is survived by her husband, George Head, four daughters and five sons, three sisters and three brothers. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of arrangements.

ZION CHAPEL CLUB MEETS

On March 6th, the Home Demonstration Club of Zion Chapel held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Jessie Fuller. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Tom Jacobs. The roll was called by the secretary, Mrs. Joe Sanders, and the minutes read and adopted.

The demonstration was conducted by Miss Slaughter, and was on Cheese Making.

The club welcomed four new members who enrolled. The April meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Early Eddins.

Miss Louise Jacobs, Reporter.

Seed Velvet Beans for sale at SMITH BROTHERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Perdue, Miss Margaret Riordan and Robert Marsh of Tuscaloosa visited in Elba over the week-end. They returned to Tuscaloosa Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mason have returned to their home in Fairhope after having spent several weeks in Elba.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY—I have invention worth from $3,000 to $15,000; will sell one-third interest; will take automobile in trade.—I. N. HEATH, Elba, Ala.

Mrs. Arden Bradley and daughter, Jule Arden, have returned from Samson, where they visited Mrs. Bradley's sister, Mrs. A. L. Faulk, and Dr. Faulk.

TESTED WAYS FOR CONTROL OF GARDEN INSECTS GIVEN

AUBURN, Ala.—An application of derris powder or cube root powder as soon as the first bean leaves appear and the application repeated every 10 days usually kills most bean leaf and Mexican bean beetles, states W. A. Ruffin, entomologist of the Alabama Extension Service.

Young plants of sweet potatoes, tomatoes, egg plants, and peppers are often seriously damaged or destroyed by a very small black beetle known as a flee beetle. Dusting with deris powder will control it.

For plant lice (aphis) dust with derris or cube powder or spray with water containing soap and nicotine.

Calcium arsenate mixed with gypsum or a cheap grade of flour is good in controlling the spotted cucumber beetle which often does considerable damage to watermelons, cantaloupes, and cucumbers. One part of calcium arsenate mixed with five parts of gypsum is strong enough and the plants should be dusted as soon as they come through the ground. This application should be repeated weekly until the plants start sending out the first runners.

Calcium arsenate is cheap and an effective insecticide to use in the control of the potato bug.

For information on controlling other insects, farmers should see their county agents or write to Mr. Ruffin at Auburn.

RETURNS FROM 100 HENS EQUAL 5 BALES COTTON

AUBURN, Ala.—A summary of the results obtained from Alabama poultry demonstration flocks during December, January and February reveals that at average egg prices for the past five years, 100 hens laying 160 eggs per year return an average gross income equivalent to five bales of cotton.

This is reported by John E. Ivey, extension poultryman, in calling attention to the fact that the gross income per 100 hens was $35.99 in December; $31.49 in January; and $29.25 in February. On this basis the gross income from 100 hens equaled the value of 290.24 pounds of lint cotton in December; 255.20 pounds in January, and 223.14 pounds in February.

Figuring that 25 per cent of the grain and mash was purchased at $3.50 per 100 pounds and that the other 75 per cent was produced at home, the birds paid an average of $3.31 per bushel for the corn they consumed in December; $2.66 per bushel for that consumed in January, and $2.59 for that consumed in February.

TURNIP PATCHES GOOD FOR BEANS AND PEAS

AUBURN, Ala.—Turnip patches infested with the vegetable weevil should not be planted to tomatoes or cabbage, advises Prof. J. M. Robinson, entomologist of the Alabama Experiment Station, in calling attention to the fact that the weevil will damage such plants as tomatoes and cabbage, but not beans and peas.

Mesdames D. C. Marley and J. M. Marsh visited Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dickert and family in Brundidge last week.

Mrs. Byron Thompson, Mrs. M. S. Carmichael and Miss Caroline Carmichael of Montgomery were visitors to Elba Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kendrick and little daughter of Luverne were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Almon Strain Sunday.

Messrs. J. C. Fleming, L. P. Mullins, B. A. Young and P. G. Mathis were among the visitors to Brundidge last Thursday.

Robert Cooper, student at the University of Alabama, spent the week-end in Elba with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Bonneau, Mrs. Sadie Donaghue and Mrs. Willie Michel spent Sunday in Pensacola, Florida.

Mrs. Nannie E. Boon of Camp Hill has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Almon Strain, and Mr. Strain for the past several days.

Mrs. E. H. Michel and baby spent the week-end in Montgomery with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Singleton of Enterprise were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bryan and other Elba friends Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Almon Strain and her mother, Mrs. Boon, left yesterday for Luverne, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Kendrick.

Foy English left Tuesday for St. Margaret's hospital in Montgomery, where he will undergo an X-ray operation on his ankle which was injured in a motorcycle accident about five years ago.

Miss Madge Page will leave Saturday for New Orleans, La., where she will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Hartley.

Enrollment in 4-H Clubs in the United States has passed the million mark with Alabama leading with 66,242 members, reports T. A. Sims, State club leader.

The Jasper Kiwanis Club is giving financial assistance to 4-H club boys in buying purebred pigs, states C. E. Edge, county agent.

Calhoun and Cleburne County 4-H club boys have purchased 1200 baby chicks for "go to college" projects in the counties, reports E. G. Hall, assistant county agent.

New Brockton News Items

By MRS. C. R. HAYNES

Mrs. Ruby Baker left April 1st to accept a position in Pensacola.

Mrs. Howard McDaniel is able to be up after a ten-day case of flu.

Mrs. D. B. Moore has returned from Montgomery after an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. William Mallory.

We are sorry to report the death of one of our beloved old people, Mrs. Jim Moore.

Several people from New Brockton visited the storm area in Brundidge last week.

Mr. Monroe Blackmon and Mrs. Willie B. Hutchison of New Brockton went to Brundidge Monday to attend the triple funeral of their sisters and nephew.

We regret to report the sickness of little Jimmie Fussell, who is in a Dothan hospital.

Mrs. Bell Parker has returned from Jacksonville, Fla., where she enjoyed a three weeks visit with her sister.

Frances Bruce of near Dothan is spending this week with her brother, Carnell Bruce.

FORMER COLORED RESIDENT DIED IN BIRMINGHAM APR. 6

John Colwell, colored, former resident of Coffee County, but for the past several years a resident of Birmingham, died in that city last Tuesday, April 6th, after a four weeks' illness of pneumonia.

He was 56 years of age and leaves a wife, three sons and six daughters, besides a number of brothers and sisters. The body was brought back to Elba and burial occurred Wednesday afternoon at Mount Calvary Church. Rev. D. T. Patterson conducted funeral services. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of arrangements.

EVERGREEN 4-H CLUB

The Evergreen 4-H Club met on March 25th at the home of Mrs. Ethel Owens, where breakfast was prepared. The meeting was called to order by the secretary. Next meeting will be held with Mrs. Voncile Wise.

The club members suggested Mrs. Velmer Jinright as farm organization chairman. Fourteen members and three visitors were present for the meeting.

Minnie Lee Smith, Reporter.

Billy Bryan was a visitor to DeFuniak Springs, Fla., Monday.

RECENT BRIDE HONORED AT MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER—

A miscellaneous shower was given by Mrs. Dewey E. Wise honoring Mrs. Ed. Donaldson, a recent bride, at her home near Samson, Saturday, April 3rd, from three until six o'clock.

The bridal motif of green and white was noted in decorations and refreshments. The table, lace-laid, held in its center an arrangement of Southern smilax and Easter lilies, surrounded by white tapers in silver holders. On the registrar's table were the miniature bride and groom.

The guests were greeted at the door by Miss Jessie Lee and presented to the receiving line, composed of Mrs. Dewey E. Wise, Mrs. Ed Donaldson, Mrs. P. F. Bowdoin and Mrs. James Wise.

The guests were registered by Miss Madge Page. Presiding at the punch table were Miss Carrie Russ, Miss Dorothy Brooks and Miss Mary Stephenson. Mints were served by little Jo Anne and Jone Wise. The guests were conducted to the gift room by Mrs. Royce Snellgrove and Miss Eunice Finlayson.

About one hundred guests called during the afternoon.

JUNIOR AGRICULTURAL CLUB IS ORGANIZED BY 8th GRADE

On Friday, April 9th, the eighth grade boys met in the Agricultural Building with Mr. D. N. Bottoms, agriculture instructor, to form a Junior Agricultural Club. The following officers were elected:

President—Paul Donaldson.
Vice-President—Joe English.
Secretary - Treasurer — Wayne Mixon.
Reporter—John Frank Kendrick.
Chairman of Program Committee—Paul Collier.
Other Members of Program Committee—Robert Stevens, Howard Lassiter, Bobby Bryan, Paul R. Brunson.
Cheer Leaders—Joe English and John Frank Kendrick.

The Club held its second meeting on Monday morning of this week. No program had been prepared, so the members sang a few F. F. A. songs and dismissed, to meet again Friday, April 16.

John F. Kendrdick, Reporter.

LOST BULL—Light Jersey-colored Bull, short horns, weighs about 500 pounds; last seen at Lanier Bryan farm about six weeks ago. Any information about this bull will be appreciated. Notify Lanier Bryan, Elba Rt. 5.

Miss Emmie Banks of Opp was the guest of Mr. C. E. Banks and family during the week-end.

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• HOLLYWOOD-STUDIOS •
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Birmingham Office — Molton Hotel

Mr. Flournoy Whitman is spending the week with relatives in Haynes City and Winter Haven, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bryan visited relatives in Brundidge Friday afternoon of last week.

If you want the best Flour, try ORIENT.—SMITH BROTHERS.

Misses Nell and Claudine Bryan and Renzo Bryan, Jr., spent the week-end in Louisville with Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Tubb.

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AT ONCE

The Clipper has on its mailing list a number of subscribers whose time is already out, and others that will expire within a week or so. There are too many of these for us to try to see each one and remind you about renewing, so we are writing this notice to you.

All subscriptions must be paid in advance in order for us to continue sending the paper to you. Come in at once and attend to this matter. We would like to continue the paper, but unless we receive your renewal during the next ten days, your name will be dropped from the list.

Remember, you will not receive a paper after next week unless your renewal has been received. The label pasted on your paper shows when your time is out. Look at it right now and be governed accordingly.—R. C. B.

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County Health Department Plans Rat Control Project; Damage By Rodents Heavy

Citizens Are Urged To Make Early Application With Department For Free Estimate Of Cost Of Rat-Proofing.

Just as soon as the necessary labor becomes available the County Health Unit, in cooperation with the Works Progress Administration and the city councils of Enterprise, Elba, New Brockton and Kinston, plans to begin a campaign against rats in Coffee County. Under this plan the W. P. A. will furnish labor for rat-proofing, poisoning and trapping; and anyone who is desirous of having his home, store, barn or warehouse rat-proofed will have a splendid opportunity to do this for the small cost of the material required to do the job.

The labor cost involved in such work is by far the greatest part of the expense of rat-proofing, and since the W. P. A. will furnish the labor it is hoped that the citizens of Coffee County will take full advantage of this unusual opportunity.

Rat-proofing is our only real solution to the rat problem, as is clearly shown by the following information:

"There are two sides to the rat problem, both very important: Health and Wealth. First, let us consider the health aspect of the rat problem. Rats, through the fleas which they carry, spread bubonic plague and Brill's fever; and from their body wastes, infective jaundice and intestinal parasites are spread. This is in itself sufficient cause to condemn the rats, though when we review the pages of history and learn that rats have caused more deaths than all the wars of history combined we realize even more fully what a menace the rat is to civilization. By living and feeding in sewers and other places that are regular incubators of disease germs, the rat is capable of transmitting many more diseases than those already mentioned (including hookworm disease, tuberculosis and trichenocis).

"Next in importance is the economic side of the rat problem. To feed a large rat in captivty it will cost from ½ cent to 2 cents per day for the food which he consumes. During the course of a year this feed bill runs from $2 to $7 per rat (which fact is indeed worthy of consideration). But that is only the least cost, because rats will waste 10 times as much as they eat. Also the damage to clothing, furniture, and the fire hazard, and the loss of time due to sickness caused by the rats add to this cost, which amounts to about $240,000,000 per year for the United States as a whole.

"Now let us see how we may successfully combat this enemy of mankind. By successful and intelligent trapping we may destroy from 30 per cent to 50 per cent of the rats; and by a poisoning campaign conducted over a large area by men trained in this work we may expect to kill from 60 per cent to 70 per cent of the rats. Thus we see that neither trapping nor poisoning will entirely rid us of rats. The only solution to the problem is **Rat Proofing.** Rat proofing is the exact opposite of game preservation. To replenish game we restore natural conditions favorable to feeding and breeding. In rat proofing we remove these conditions. Rats breeding in places protected from their natural enemies and unfavorable weather conditions breed 4 to 5 times a year, bearing from 10 to 15 young ones per litter. They have an average flea index of 15 per rat.

"Rats forced to live outside, unprotected from their natural enemies and exposed to adverse weather conditions, breed about 3 times per year and bear about 5 to 8 per litter. The flea index on the unprotected rat is three-tenths per rat. According to United States Public Health service experts, to be a public health menace the flea index must be 4 fleas per rat.

"Brill's fever is prevalent at this time and it is reasonable to believe that the elimination, or at least a great reduction in the disease, may be accomplished by the destruction of rats from infected areas and maintaining a campaign in these areas until the sick rats are destroyed and the current generation of infected fleas has died. Your County Health Unit will gladly assist you in rat proofing your home, store or barn."

Call your County Health Unit and ask for a free estimate of the cost of rat-profing your home or other buildings. There is no obligation on your part for this service. The labor will be available for a definite time only, so make your application for a free estimate without delay.

MANY SUBSCRIBERS WILL NOT GET ANOTHER PAPER

This will be the last issue of The Clipper that many subscribers will receive, because we have not received your renewal. Notice was given last week that all names would be dropped after this issue, so if you have not taken the time to come in and have your subscription extended then you will know why you do not get the paper next week.

Many have been thoughtful enough to pay up, and we thank every one of you. All subscriptions MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE, and unless this is done we shall not continue to send the paper to you. Look at the label on your paper and if it shows that your time is out, come in this week and renew or else your name will be cut off before another issue is mailed out.

P.-T. A. TO MEET TUESDAY

The Elba Parent-Teacher Association will have a meeting at the school auditorium on next Tuesday, April 27, at three o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

The membership drive will close on the day of this meeting. A prize of 50c will be awarded the pupil who secures the largest number of members or collects the largest number of past dues for the last half of the year.

W. O. W. TO HAVE BARBECUE AND MEETING TONIGHT

Members of Crockett Camp, W. O. W., are having a barbecue and special meeting tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock, in the May Building hall. All members are urged to be present at this meeting.

A team from Chestnut Grove Camp will be present to initiate several new members into the order. Many other visitors are also expected, and Camp officers promise plenty of entertainment for those attending.

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COUNTY 4-H CLUB BOYS ENTER ESSAY CONTESTS

Essay contests are receiving the attention of a number of Coffee County 4-H Club boys at present.

A prize eagerly sought is a week's encampment at Auburn this summer with all expenses paid, offered by the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation for the best essay on "Cover Crops." The same award is offered by the T. C. I. Railroad Company for the best essay on "The Importance of Keeping Farm Accounts."

Entries in the Cover Crop Contest are James Hood, Donald Crook, Byron Folsom, Edwin Nolen, Sam Kelley, Victoria Club; Jack Willoughby, Warren Shiver, Jim Henry Dismuke, Kyser Wilson, LaRue Ward, Melvin Hornsby, New Hope Club; Malcolm Bruce, Grady Norris, Howard Phillips, Lewis Frank Weatherford, Wilson Bowden, Fairview Club.

Contesting in "The Importance of Keeping Accounts on the Farm" Contest are Jack Willoughby, Warren Shiver, Jim Henry Dismuke, Kyser Wilson, New Hope; Sam Kelley, Edwin Nolen, James Head and Donald Crook, Victoria.

A contest sponsored by the Alabama Cotton Manufacturers Association is proving the most popular offered, with ten cash prizes ranging from $12.50 to $50.00. The subject is "Better Staple Cotton." Boys competing in the cotton contest are Dupree Bragg, Julius Young, Henry Phillips, Fred Price, Jack Moore, Junior Wise, Roscoe Smith, Edward Barley, Dewey Griffin, Warren Wise, Homer Kilcrease, L. P. Parrish, Foster Arnold, Welton Parrish, Wiley Deal, Hermon Cotton, Lamar LeCompt, Roy Martin, Delmar Bryan and Leslie Allen.

There are 515 boys enrolled in the county's 4-H Clubs.

J. E. Washington, assistant county agent, is in charge of this work, assisted by County Agent Hugh D. Sexton.

County Agent's Column

By HUGH D. SEXTON
County Agent

COOP HOG SALE HERE MAY 7; PROBABLY LAST OF SEASON

The next Cooperative Hog Sale at Elba will be held Friday, May 7. This will probably be the last sale of this season.

NOTICE TO ALL FARMERS IN COFFEE COUNTY

The County Agent's office has just received information from the State Agricultural Soil Conservation Committee stating that all farmers who desire to sign 1937 work sheets must do so before May 15.

Farmers in this county who have not signed and who desire to sign are advised to get in touch with the County Agent's office at once.

STUDY CLUB ENJOYS LOVELY DINNER PARTY—

The Elba Study Club entertained at a lovely dinner party at Banks' Cafe Monday evening, April 12th, which proved to be one of the most unique and enjoyable socal events of the club year.

Mrs. John Brunson, Mrs. J. O. English and Mrs. Lamar Rainer were in charge of arrangements and provided a delightful evening's program of entertainment.

Covers were laid for the twenty guests at a table beautifully appointed in the club colors, pink and green. The centerpiece was a bowl of Van Fleet roses on a large mirror plaque about which were arranged four silver candlesticks burning tall pink candles. Small silver baskets of rosebuds and candlesticks with pink candles were placed at each end of the table. The guests found their respective places by means of dainty hand-painted place cards, suggestive of April, on which were painted clever ideas to represent each guest's name.

Mrs. John Brunson presided and explained that the theme of the program was to turn aside from serious thought and "see ourselves as others see us." The "take off" of each individual member made the program and furnished unusual fun and merriment.

A delicious four-course dinner was served.

After the dinner hour, the club engaged in singing popular songs and Mrs. Lillian Ringsdorf concluded the program with two lovely vocal selections, "The Last Rose of Summer" and "A Perfect Day." Miss Annie Laurie Bullard was accompanist and also rendered several piano numbers.

See us for prices on RADIO BATTERIES. — Thompson Radio Service, Elba, Ala. 1tpd.

Miss Henrietta Coston of Troy spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Coston.

Messrs. J. C. Dixon and Jack Owen made a business trip to Montgomery Saturday.

Miss Mary Marsh visited in Luverne during the week-end.

WALTER MILLS KILLED INSTANTLY SUNDAY NIGHT BY HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER ON TROY HIGHWAY

Walter M. Mills, age 46, well known in Elba and throughout this section, was instantly killed Sunday night about four miles above town on the Troy highway, by a hit-and-run driver. The accident occurred about nine or nine-thirty o'clock. He was an ex-service man and had made his home here several years.

The body was discovered on the edge of the paved road a short distance north of Pea Creek bridge by Frank Harper, of Elba, who was returning from Troy. The dead man's face and skull were badly crushed and bruised. However, his body was not mangled, as was first reported. Harper immediately reported the finding of the body and within a short time officers and a number of citizens gathered at the scene.

Mills, so it is reported, was in Troy Sunday and perhaps was hitch-hiking back to Elba. Two men traveling in a truck first saw him some distance from where he met death, lying on the highway. After summoning some nearby residents, Walt was aroused and resumed his travel toward Elba. A short time later another truck took to the ditch to avoid hitting him. While efforts were being made to get this truck back on the highway, Mills proceeded on his journey and it is surmised that he fell on the highway and was struck by a passing vehicle only a few moments later. It was stated that he had been drinking. Several cars passed about the time of the fatal accident but so far as we have learned, identity of the drivers have not been ascertained, although officers started an investigation.

Deceased is survived by two brothers, Walker and Lassie Mills, and one sister, Mrs. Beulah Bohannon. The body was carried to Mossy Grove cemetery, near Troy, Monday, where interment occurred. Rev. Walter Moody of Elba conducted the funeral services. Messrs. W. J. Brown, Avery Jackson, S. B. Young, E. H. Michel, J. T. Foreman and T. M. Bowden acted as pallbearers. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of arrangements.

About People and Things

By C. B. McDowell

DON'T NEED YOUNGSTERS—The nine old men comprising the United States Supreme Court decided to show President Roosevelt that he don't need youngsters to carry out his program. The President's suggestions seem to be having a wholesome effect even on that august body.

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HOGS SOLD HIGH—At the hog sale held in Elba last Friday, No 1 hogs brought $8.85 per cwt, which was 10 points above Montgomery market for that day. Prices paid in Elba are normally at least 25 points below Montgomery, and the fact that 10 points above Montgomery market was paid in Elba last Friday attracted much attention and was the subject of considerable comment. It was reported to be the highest prices paid for hogs in Elba for quite some time. One hundred and twenty-two head were sold, an unusually large portion of which graded No. 1.

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SPEEDING UP — Work on the Elba levee is being speeded up to high gear. The smaller of the two draglines has been moved to a point east of the D. B. Perdue home, where it is excavating the ditch in the middle of the base of the levee, which is then filled with clay, forming a solid foundation, preventing water seepage. Several houses and outbuildings will have to be moved, in the vicinity of Mrs. W. B. Perdue's home. D. B. Perdue is losing some of his cherished pecan trees and other property is suffering damage along the march of progress. The big dragline continues its course, digging the canal, with Beaver Dam creek at a point near the Lubert Ice Plant as its goal. A large fleet of dump trucks are hauling the dirt to the levee east of the Perdue properties. Full advantage is being taken of the prevailing fine weather conditions.

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SPRING AT LAST—"Uncle Wiley" Bullard says we have paid back what we borrowed in the way of warm weather, away back last January and February, and can now go ahead with our Spring planting without fear of further frosts, such as we have been having every few mornings during March and the first half of April. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday have been real Spring days, with temperatures in the high eighties, the first we have enjoyed since the abnormal weather experiencd last January and February.

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DON'T NEED IT—Fred Folsom, Alabama Federal Seed Loan Supervisor, reports that the Wiregrass counties are asking for so few seed loans this season that he made a second trip down into this section to find out what is the matter. He says the farmers tell him that they do not need the loans, as they have plenty of money to finance their crops. Especially is this true in Coffee County, where Mr. Folsom says applications for seed loans are practically nil. Approximately $400,000 in Government checks for cotton, hogs, peanuts and corn have been received by Coffee County farmers this year, and there is very little demand for Government seed loans. The vast amount of fertilizer that is being purchased in Coffee County demonstrates that a considerable part of the money received is being put back into the coming crops.

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FERTILIZER—Although the excessive rains of two weeks ago, in this section, caused a heavy loss of fertilizer that had been put into the ground, amounting to approximately 25 per cent of what had been contracted for, Coffee County farmers refused to become discouraged. Almost without exception, they are digging in harder than ever, determined to take advantage of prevailing and prospective good prices. The demand for commercial fertilizer is enormous. Gordon Cain reports that he and a companion took their trucks to Troy early Monday morning and found such a congestion of trucks lined up at the chemical plant, waiting to be loaded, that they were unable to get loaded and return to Elba until late that evening. Reports are the same with all fertilizer dealers—the demand is the greatest in many years.

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IRONY OF FATE—About two weeks ago, Walt Mills came to The Clipper office and excitedly told me how he had been among the first to arrive on the scene on the Elba-Troy highway where Robert Elmore had been instantly killed in an automobile accident. He told how he had helped to extricate the body from the debris of the wreck and said he hoped he would never meet any such death. Within a very short time and comparatively short distance, on the same highway, Walt had his life snuffed out when an unknown hit-and-run driver of some sort of motor vehicle ran over him last Sunday night, near the Joe Dyess home, about 4½ miles north of Elba. Two violent deaths comparatively close together on the same highway, occurring just a few weeks apart, is a pretty high average.

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MIND OVER MATTER—There is no disputing the fact that mind has great influence over matter. For instance: Last Friday morning, W. M. Farris arose as usual and after eating the customary large amount of breakfast, decided

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DORSEY SEZ:

FOR PLEASANT SUMMER DRIVING

Your motor should be given a thorough tuning-up and adjusting. With all adjustments properly made, you will enjoy your Summer motoring whether it be a long or short trip.

Our repair department is equipped with modern devices and our mechanics are expertly trained for any and all work. Drive by or call us and we will fix you up for pleasant motoring.

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Sales—CHEVROLET—Service

LIQUOR BOARD OPENS DRIVE TO END ALL BOOTLEGGING

MONTGOMERY, April 20.—Alabama's illicit liquor traffic will be smashed by an army of inspectors of the Alabama alcoholic beverage control board who received orders Tuesday to seize all contraband booze in the possession of bootleggers wherever found.

The orders to clear the decks for opening of State liquor stores next week is the first concerted movement toward enforcement of the recently enacted liquor law to be administered by the control board, and is likewise the most menacing threat to bootleggers since the days of the old State law enforcement department directed by Chief Walter K. McAdory a decade ago.

The board, in announcing Tuesday that "all rules and regulations of the beverage control act, together with all rules promulgated by the board, will be rigidly enforced," added:

"A school is now being conducted in Montgomery for all field inspectors who are charged with the responsibility of the enforcement of this act. These agents will be sent out the latter part of this week with the necessary papers, forms, etc., for making confiscations of all contraband beverages.

"Beverages deemed to be contraband by the beverage control act, are any alcoholic liquors or malt or brewed beverages that do not have affixed thereto the revenue stamps or mark of identification as required by the said act.

"All contraband beverages found in the possession of anyone in this State will be confiscated and the person in whose possession these beverages are found will be subject to a heavy fine."

Meanwhile, the selection of store sites and negotiations with distillers and brewers occupied the beverage control board Tuesday as it prepared to open State-controlled liquor stores in Birmingham, Montgomery and Mobile.

Rural Schools Of Coffee Close Very Successful Session

Coffee County's elementary schools, with the exception of those in the towns of Enterprise and Elba, which are not on the county line, closed their doors for the 1936-37 term Friday afternoon, April 16th. The opening date was September 28.

Basing an estimate on the daily average attendance in the county, approximately 4,000 white and 1,200 negro children put away their books and 100 white and 39 negro teachers closed their class rooms.

These figures do not include students nor teachers in accredited high schools nor in the city schools of Enterprise and Elba, whose terms were begun September 14 and will end May 28.

The length of session in all schools has been practically the same as that in 1935-1936.

The County Board of Education operates 25 school busses. It employs 164 white and 39 negro teachers, exclusive of Enterprise and Elba city schools; a superintendent, A. C. Dunaway; a supervisor of elementary education, Miss Eunora Farris; an attendance officer, Mrs. H. E. Paschal; and an office assistant, Miss Nettye Ruth Walker.

The monthly cost of operating schools in the county, when all schools are running, is approximately $21,000. This figure includes county and city schools.

Coffee's rural or elementary schools have enjoyed a most successful term, according to reports of patrons in every section of the county. This splendid work has been accomplished through the fine cooperation that has existed between county school officials, teachers, trustees and patrons throughout the year.

SEATS ARE ORDERED FOR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

The City Board of Education has placed an order for 600 opera seats for the new auditorium of the High School building, according to announcement made the first of the week by Supt. J. C. Dixon.

The seats are to be shipped as soon as possible and will be placed in the building just as soon as work on the structure progresses far enough to permit it. Some delay has been encountered on account of material for adding the finishing touches to the new auditorium, but it is expected that this material will come forward within the next few days, and the work will be completed as early as possible.

ALL-DAY SEVEN SHAPE SING

Everybody is invited to an all-day sing at County Line Church, three miles east of Opp, on the fourth Sunday, April 25. Come and bring a well-filled basket.

CURTIS RHOADES.

Messrs. Charles Rowe and Byrd Mitchell, Jr., of Montgomery were here Monday night, having come down to attend the regular drill of Battery D, 117th F. A.

Homestead Exemption To Apply This Year Despite 'Politicians,' Says Graves

Ruling Of Attorney General Arouses Ire Of Governor; Says Sales Tax Will Replace Losses To Schools And Other Funds.

MONTGOMERY, Apr. 17.—Decrying "efforts of politicians to delay this thing two years," Gov. Bibb Graves said today exemptions of State taxes on homesteads would become effective on taxes due October 1, 1937.

The Governor's statement followed an opinion by Atty.-Gen. A. A. Carmichael holding that the exemption would take effect October 1, 1938.

Speaking with intense feeling at his press conference, Graves said the Legislature intended that exemptions, up to a valuation of $2,000 and estimated at $1,333,000 annually, should be effective this year.

"Under the State law," he stated, "the State tax commission can reduce assessments if necessary to give the people the benefits of the Homestead Exemption law.

"We don't want to do this because the counties and cities would lose the revenue from lowered assessments. But we will do it if necessary."

The Homestead Exemption bill does not affect county and city levies, but exempts homesteads from State ad valorem taxes, amounting to sixty-five cents for $100 assessed valuation, up to $2,000, or a minimum exemption of thirteen dollars per homestead.

A two per cent general sales tax, which took effect March 1, was designed to offset loss of revenue from homestead exemptions and also to provide additional revenue for schools.

"The provision for special assessment of homesteads was passed a year before the exemption law," the Governor said. "This shows the intent of the Legislature.

"Efforts of politicians to delay this thing two years will avail them nothing."

Questioned regarding income from the State sales tax and the gross receipts tax in effect before the sales tax was passed, Graves said "We're getting the money every day.

"We can't pay the schools anything until first we have taken out that portion of the tax set aside for homestead exemptions.

"As a matter of equity—as a matter of right if not of law, the money ought to be prorated now.

"No homestead owner must pay a State tax on October 1, 1937, that is not past due. That was the promise and it will be carried out."

Graves said instructions sent county tax assessors and collectors by Comptroller Charles W. Lee that exemptions would take effect this year "still stand."

Carmichael's ruling, issued late yesterday, held the legislative act "not retroactive" and not effective for the tax year beginning October 1, 1936, under which taxes are due October 1, 1937.

Informed circles forecast a court test of Carmichael's ruling, but there was no official comment.

In ruling homestead exemptions not applicable to 1936-37 taxes, Carmichael said "the Legislature was called for the purpose of assisting schools. If the act of February 20, 1937 (homestead exemption), is construed in such a way as that the Homestead Exemption taxes due October 1, 1937, are exempt, and if the estimated amount of one and one-third million dollars of homestead exemption taxes due for the tax year beginning October 1, 1936, must be replaced and repaid from the proceeds of the sales tax revenue accruing the seven months of the tax year, beginning October 1, 1937, the schools of Alabama would be the losers to the extent of three-fourths of one and one-third million dollars, or approximately $1,000,000.

The attorney general's ruling was on a letter from M. E. Pritchett, tax assessor of Marengo County.

Comptroller Lee's letter to county officials, mailed here April 10, informed assessors and collectors tax exemptions effective "on taxes due and payable October 1, 1937."

Pritchett asked Carmichael to interpret the exemption act for his guidance in assessing levies due this fall.

GRADUATING EXERCISES ARE HELD AT CURTIS SCHOOL FRI.

The Curtis Consolidated School held its regular graduating exercises at the Curtis Baptist Church last Friday evening, with Rev. W. J. Hughes of Elba making the principal address. Diplomas were presented to thirteen Junior High graduates and twenty-seven sixth grade graduates by Prof. A. C. Dunaway, County Superintendent of Education.

The following program was presented to a large and enthusiastic audience:

Address by the Class President, Eunice Johnson.
Class Song.
Class Poem—Jessie Merle Laskey.
Class History—Martha Fuller.
Class Will—Cupie Dean Marler.
Class Prophecy — Rudolph Taylor.
Giftorian—Phyllis Daniels.

The principal, R. L. Farris, was delighted with the support given by the patrons and friends of the Curtis school and the graduating exercises were said to be one of the most interesting ever held in that community.

Reverend Hughes brought a very inspiring message to the graduates, and old and young alike were greatly benefited by his talk. He spoke on the value of taking Jesus as a personal friend and Saviour on the boat of life and his talk was most applicable to one and all. The audience joined in singing "Come Thou Fount," after which dismissal was given by Mrs. L. L. Farris.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH TO HAVE REVIVAL

Rev. O. D. Williams, pastor of the New Brockton Methodist Church, was a visitor to Elba Monday, and makes the announcement that a series of revival services will begin at his church on May 2nd, continuing through May 16.

Mr. J. P. Peacock, well known singer and leader, will have charge of the song services. Rev. Williams will do the preaching. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend.

STATE SINGERS TO MEET IN GREENVILLE SUN., APRIL 25

The Semi-Annual session of the State of Alabama Sacred Harp Singing Convention will meet in Greenville on the fourth Sunday in April. All Sacred Harp singers in Alabama and each Sacred Harp Singing Convention in Alabama are requested to be represented at Greenville.

The 1937 officers are: president, C. M. Wiggins, Phenix City; vice-president, R. E. Cheshire, Phenix City; and secretary-treasurer, W. C. Lisenby, Ozark.

PREACHING AT SHILOH

There will be preaching services at Shiloh Church on the first Sunday in May at 11:00 o'clock a.m., by Rev. E. L. Eiland. Everybody is invited to come out and hear this young minister.

Mr. J. D. Willis of New Brockton was a business visitor to Elba Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hutchison have moved to the Will White home on Buford Street, formerly occupied by Mrs. D. J. Lubert. Mrs. Lubert has moved to the home of Mr. J. C. Devane, near Elba.

Mr. J. M. Rowe spent Monday in Montgomery on business.

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CASH IN ADVANCE

CHURCH GAMBLING

For a long time it has been a custom with church organizations to carry on raffles. Cakes, quilts, books and many other things have been used, and since the number of chances sold in most every instance are great in number, much clear money has been made.

But, no matter how much one may argue, any raffle is a gamble. Gambling is constituted when a sum of money is taken from an individual and nothing given in return of tangible value. It doesn't make the slightest difference for what cause such gains are used, the entire warp and weave of the transaction is gambling. Any game of chance is gambling, and it doesn't behoove church organizations to foster such a practice as raffles.

The editor of this paper positively never patronizes any sort of raffle, nor does he participate in any other form of gambling. We simply haven't a particle of patience with such goings on.—Enterprise Ledger.

Editor Singleton expresses our sentiments exactly in the above editorial. This form of gambling is also practiced in schools and by various civic organizations in every town and city throughout our country. No matter for what purpose the funds secured are to be used, that element of chance or gambling is still there. And the pity of it is that young boys and girls are sent out to sell the chances. Wouldn't it be wise for parents, teachers and leaders to study the matter carefully and see if we are not leading youth in a direction that might prove of great harm? Think it over seriously.

MORE MURDERS BY MOTOR

If anyone had predicted at the beginning of this century that within less than forty years the nation would be criss-crossed with wide, paved streets along which automobiles would scoot at speeds up to eighty miles an hour, most people, if they listened to that prophet at all, would have said he was crazy. And if he had added that practically anyone, child or ancient, sound or crippled, drunk or sober, would be permitted to drive an automobile at such speeds, intelligent listeners would have said that could not possibly be allowed. It would be too dangerous to put such engines into irresponsible hands. Why, a lot of people would be killed.

We all know that that is just what has happened. Last year we killed nearly 37,000 people on our highways, most of them not the drivers of the cars, but their passengers, people in other cars, pedestrians and children. This year, so far, the death toll is nearly a quarter as large again. The National Safety Council reports that up to the end of February motor fatalities were 24 per cent higher than in the same period last year. The open Winter in the East accounts for most of this increase in motor murders. More cars on the roads, more killings.

Where is this slaughter going to end? How can it be stopped? How many more Americans must be killed before outraged public sentiment rises to the point of indignation and forces action by the constituted authorities? A hundred or more groups and organizations have been giving intensive study for years to the causes of motor accidents and ways to prevent them. They all agree that the guilt lies at the doors of irresponsible, careless, "take-a-chance drivers. The solution lies in tightening the restrictions upon drivers of cars and punishing severely every motorist whose recklessness or incompetence causes an accident.

There are limits beyond which the rights of the individual cease and the right of society to protect itself takes command. We no longer tolerate, in most American communities, what used to be regarded as the inalienable human right of every individual to carry fire-arms and shoot them off when and where he pleased. Even under that scheme of things, the shooter was held responsible if he hit anybody. Now the automobile has displaced the revolver as the universal American weapon of homicide. It is time we restricted its use to those who can be trusted not to abuse it. Driving a car should be regarded as a privilege granted to a selected few, not a right which everybody is free to exercise without restriction.

SOUND ADVICE TO YOUTH

It was sound advice to youth seeking its opportunity which F. E. Searle, superintendent of the Henry Ford trade school, gave at the "career conference" lately held in New York. Skill, personality and imagination count for more than "luck" and "getting the breaks," he said. Luck dogs the heels of the competent worker with vision and willingness to work. Industry is looking for skilled workers, and a place can always be found for the earnest, energetic man who is willing to pay the penalty of extra work.

Not only Mr. Searle but others at the conference brought out the fact, which youth does not always realize, that the men and women who get ahead in the world are the ones who set no limit on their working hours. For the unambitious the 40-hour week suffices. For one who would rise to a better job, the less he thinks of his hours of labor the more certain and swift his promotion comes. Leaders in business and industry do not come out of the ranks of "clock-watchers." The executives at the head of any business always put in longer hours than do any of their subordinates.

Men of experience know that so well that it does not always occur to them that each new generation needs to be taught the eternal truth which Longfellow expressed in familiar verse,

"The heights by great men
reached an kept
Were not attained by sudden
flight,
But they, while their companions slept,
Were toiling upward in the
night."

Employers always know which of their employees are "toiling upward in the night," and have them marked for promotion ahead of those who leave all thought of work behind them when the quitting whistle blows.

Don't put up with useless PAIN Get rid of it

When functional pains of menstruation are severe, take CARDUI. If it doesn't benefit you, consult a physician. Don't neglect such pains. They depress the tone of the nerves, cause sleeplessness, loss of appetite, wear out your resistance.

Get a bottle of Cardui and see whether it will help you, as thousands of women have said it helped them.

Besides easing certain pains, Cardui aids in building up the whole system by helping women to get more strength from the food they eat.

FARMER JONES AND HIS COW PEN

By JUDGE W. M. BRUNSON

SECOND GARDEN—Every good farmer has a second garden and it is now time to plant that second spring garden. Most of us planted a garden about February 14th, another one about Easter, and our second spring garden is just around the corner. Of course there are a few worthless farmers who never plant a real garden, but such men are not even entitled to be called farmers and I for one would not call such a being a farmer. A real farmer is a credit to his community and to his country but one of these things which some of us call a farmer, but who leaves off all the things which good farmers do, should be called a crank or a novice. They are not entitled to be known as a member of the greatest profession in the world. Anyway, it is time to plant that second garden and I hope you are already at it. Sallie has finished the job and she always does a good job of anything which she undertakes. Sallie planted some of all varieties of seeds as planted before, except she did not plant any more English peas. It is getting pretty late for beets, but Sallie never gets too many beets. I looked the rows over after she had finished planting and here is about how they went: Tender greens, mustard, radishes, turnips, cabbage, collards, beets, Irish potatoes, corn, peas, squash, cucumbers, egg plants, snap beans, butter beans, watermelons, cantelopes, okra, onions, pumpkin and carrots. Sallie is a great believer in all these vegetables and we have them in abundance most all the time. The one thing about our planting which is most gratifying to me is the fact that we do not buy garden seed. Sallie is a constant saver of good seed and she never fails to have a good supply of all the good things for the garden. I once tried to persuade her to throw her seed away and buy a better variety, but there was nothing doing, as Sallie claims that her seed are climatized and that they are the best to be had. If we bought all our garden seed it would take quite a lot of money as we plant seed and then plant seed again. We have one neighbor who thinks that one planting is enough for any family so we are planting enough for his family also. The poor fellow is almost worthless but his wife is in poor health and his children are just as fine as you ever saw, so we feel that we can afford to grow a garden for both families. I hope your second spring garden is up to date but if it is not you might look your children in the face and ask them how they feel about their worthless father who does not even try to give them the good things to be had from a second spring garden. The planting of gardens should be just as regular and as systematic as is our practice of going to the table. I'm hoping that you will do better.

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A FARMER—Did you ever know a doctor whom you thought was a disgrace to his profession? I'll bet that you know one right now and you are wishing that he would quit the practice. Did you ever know a shyster lawyer who seemed to be a disgrace to his profession? I'll bet that you know several of them and I'll also bet that you do not have any confidence in them. And of course we have all known men who claimed to be ministers but who were a disgrace to the wonderful work being done by our worthy pastors. None of us like to come into contact with a man who is a shyster, a fake or a crook and we do not even appreciate you calling one of our distant relatives by such names. I feel that the farming profession is the greatest profession known to man and for that reason I resent any one calling some of my folks a shyster farmer. I feel that the farming profession should be free of all crooks, all fakes and all dead-heads. However, I'm not convinced that our profession has been successful in weeding out these undesirables. In fact, there is no way to weed them out, and never will be. However, I do feel a certain amount of embarrassment when some farmer shows up our profession. I'm wondering just how much color or dignity you have given the great class known as tillers of the soil. Have you been a credit to the work or have you been a disgrace? Are you in fact a real farmer or do you simply try to make enough to exist on until something turns up. Many of us have been looking for something to turn up and so far it has not turned. I'm afraid that it is not going to turn until we do the turning ourselves. My, but this would be a great country to live in if our farmers would really try to make the farming profession one of dignity, skill and class. If every farmer did those common sense things which we all know must be done if he is to be a successful farmer this would be a great section to live in. Just think how wonderful it would be if no farmer allowed fire to burn over his lands, if all the uncultivated lands were in pastures which had been sodded, if all our lands were well terraced, if all our buildings were well kept, if all our homes were well lighted and furnished with running water, if we all had good orchards, if we all had good gardens, if we all worked hard and consistently and we all loved our neighbors as we do ourselves. Wouldn't this be a wonderful place in which to live if these common sense things were done by us all? There is no way to make the other fellow do these things but you can do them yourself and it is your duty to do them and then do many other important things about your place. Please let me appeal to you to be a real man as a farmer so your fellow farmers will be proud of you. How about taking stock of yourself to see if you fully rate as a real farmer?

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SEED—We have been talking about seed for quite a while and we have discussed the importance of saving all your planting seed, for gardens and field crops. No one will deny or dispute the importance of saving all our planting seed. But there is further work for us to do along this line. We should not only save seed but we should see to it that seeds are grown and allowed to scatter over our wild lands. There are two varieties of trees in this section which are very rapid growers and which are very valuable for commercial purposes. The pine tree and the poplar are the most valuable trees to be grown in this section. It is very important that we see to it that seed growing trees are left on our lands. I'm not an expert in this kind of work but I'm told that there are male trees and female trees. If you are to have good seed from a poplar you must have male and female trees near each other. If your timber is cut and no seed trees are left your lands are liable to be bleak for many years. If you should sell your pine trees you should reserve a few for seed. These trees should be marked and protected as their welfare might mean very much to you. I would suggest that you reserve several trees in a cluster and the chances are that you will have some of both species in the group. The same thing might be said about your poplar. You should reserve several poplar trees in a cluster until your lands are well stocked with young trees. After your land is well stocked with young trees you might take down the seed trees as you will not need them any more. The young trees should grow for many years but when they are cut a few should be left for seed as was done in the first instance. I've heard men say that the crooked trees and the faulty ones would be sufficient to reseed the place but that is entirely too risky. The trees should be near each other and you should leave enough in each group to make sure that you have both male and female trees. The time is just ahead when every foot of land will be valued according to the number and quality of the trees on that land and the farmer who gets into the game early is the man who is to get the best profit on his work. There was a time when pine trees were good for making wrapping paper only but that day is past. They are now making white bond paper from pine wood pulp and time will improve on the methods now in use. Poplar is a fine wood for making high grade paper and the day is not far ahead when your poplar trees will be very valuable. Please let me plead with you to re-seed your farm at once and then see to it that fire never burns over it again. A few good seed trees with a pasture fence around our lands will do much to reforest all our lands. There is to be good pay in this work and I say let's do it.

OBITUARY—THOMAS

The grim reaper, Death, has again visited out community and home and claimed for its victim our friend, companion and father, Eugene M. Thomas, on the 20th day of March, 1937. He was born August 29, 1891, in Coffee County, near Victoria.

He was married to Miss Mattie Lee Boutwell on May 5th, 1912, and this happy union was blessed with nine boys and three girls. He was a kind and affectionate husband, a loving father and a friend to all.

Our friend is no more on earth. He has passed the final beacon to which all mortal men are tending, Death. He has passed over the River to rest on the evergreen shore, and while over his last days hung the dark and lowering clouds of affliction, which was indeed sad to contemplate by his relatives and friends, the great concourse of friends and relatives we beheld at his funeral services inspires us to believe that a good man has passed away and causes us to involuntarily exclaim: A precious one from us has gone; a voice we loved is stilled. God in His wisdom has recalled the bloom His love has given, and though his body rests here, his soul is safe in heaven.—A Friend.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to offer our thanks and appreciation to our many friends and especially to Dr. M. A. Folsom for their kindness during our father's illness and death.

THE THOMAS FAMILY.

INO H. D. CLUB MEETS

The Ino Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. L. C. McInis on April 16th, with Miss Mamie B. Mathews as director. Sixteen members were present, and everyone seemed to thorougholy enjoy the meeting.

The club invites all the ladies of the Ino community to come to its next meeting, for it is almost canning season and club members get a great deal of help from Miss Mathews' lectures during canning seasons.

Ethel Donaldson, Reporter.

MORTGAGE SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage, dated the 31st day of October, 1930, made and executed by Emma Grooms and husband, J. H. Grooms, payable to Ramage & Gilmore, and recorded in the Probate Office of Coffee County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book S-3, on page 348, which said mortgage has been transferred and assigned to the undersigned; default having been made in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and in the conditions named therein, on Monday, the 10th day of May, 1937, in front of the courthouse door, in Elba, Alabama, the undersigned will proceed to sell, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The N ½ of SW ¼ of Section 14; E ½ of NE ¼ of SE ¼ and Two (2) acres in the NE corner of SE ¼ of SE ¼, Section 15, Township 7, Range 21, containing one hundred and two acres, more or less, and situated in Coffee County, Alabama.

The proceeds of said sale will be first used to pay the expenses thereof, and then to pay the debt secured by said mortgage.

This April 1st, 1937.

W. G. GILMORE, Transferee.
A. G. SEAY, Attorney.
a8-15-22.

Another Advocate of Disarmament — by A. B. CHAPIN

MAY 15 LAST DAY FOR FILING WORK SHEETS

AUBURN, Ala.—The State Agricultural Conservation Committee has set Saturday, May 15, as the final date for Alabama farmers to file work sheets under the 1937 Agricultural Conservation program in county offices, reports Walter L. Randolph, administrative officer in charge of the AAA program in Alabama.

The State Committee also has decided that the minimum grain requirement for home consumption needs for 1937 will be the same as was determined by the State Committee for 1936. The requirements for 1936 were as follows: 60 bushels of corn per mule per year; 30 bushels for each work steer; 20 bushels for each milk cow; five bushels for each other kind of cattle; 15 bushels for each hog; one bushel for each hen and three bushels for each person.

Two bushels of oats may replace one bushel of corn for mules or cows; one pound of peanuts may replace one pound of corn.

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Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—*life itself*—is constantly producing waste matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good health is to endure.

When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The Board of Review of Coffee County has completed its work of review and the assessed valuation of all property for taxation has been fixed as by law provided. Notice is hereby given that the tax return lists showing thereon such assessed valuations are in my office and open for public inspection.

The Board of Review will sit at the Courthouse of Coffee County, at Elba, on the first Monday in June, 1937, to consider such protests as may be filed by any taxpayer as herein provided. Any taxpayer who is not satisfied with the valuation of his property as fixed and entered on the return list as required herein, may file objections in writing to such assessed valuations with the Secretary of said Board, on or before the last Monday in April, 1937. And the taxpayer shall set out in such objection filed, the description of each item of property and his reason for making objections to the assessed valuation as placed thereon.

Done this, the 10th day of April, 1937.

W. H. EDMONDS,
Tax Assessor, Coffee County.
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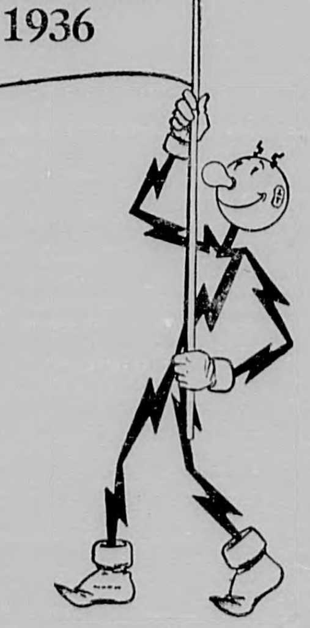
23 New Industries During 1936



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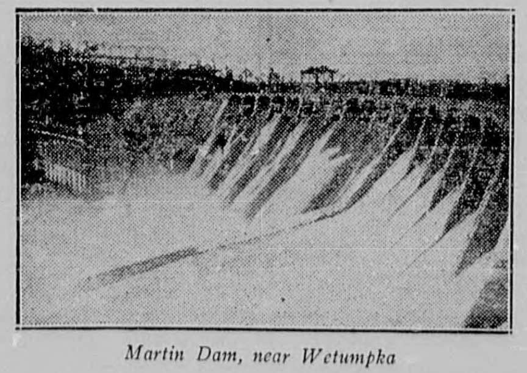

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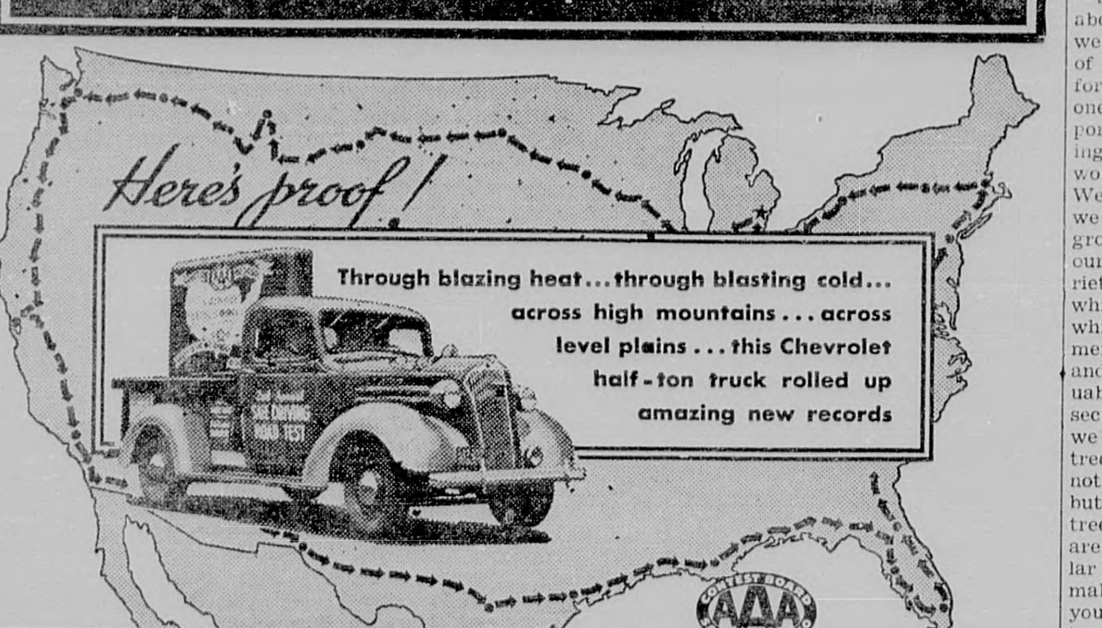

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Ellen gets Her Man

SIXTH INSTALLMENT

SYNOPSIS: Ellen Mackay, on her way from school at Winnipeg, to join her father at Fort Edson, misses the boat by which she was to travel. Hearing that another boat is to start north in the morning, Ellen goes to the owner, John Benham, and begs him to give her a passage. To her surprise he flatly refuses.

Angry and puzzled, Ellen tells Pat McClatchney, a kindly old storekeeper, of her difficulty, and Pat, with the help of one of Benham's crew, succeeds in getting Ellen on board as a stowaway.

When the vessel is well under way Ellen emerges frm her hiding place and faces John Benham, who now cannot help taking her with him.

During the voyage Ellen begins to be strongly attracted by John. But when she reaches Fort Edson she finds her father broken, ill and disgraced, and learns that his troubles are due to one man—John Benham.

Instantly Ellen resolves that she will fight for her father. She will reinstate him with the Hudson Bay Company, his employers, and will show up John Benham for what he really is.

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A tremendous, smoldering rage grew in her heart against the man responsible for all this. Gone were all her earlier memories, submerged completely in the tawdry horror of what she had seen. Over and over to herself did she vow implacable vengeance. And by this time she had virtually forgotten her own dilemma. Her thoughts were only for those helpless, apathetic children, bewildered, dumbly protesting, doomed to slow, terrible death in the winter. And then, at noon one day, she came upon a camp of Crees on the border of Mink Lake.

Even as the prow of her canoe slithered upon the shingle beach before the camp she sensed the undercurrent of excitement with which the camp was being swayed. There was a jumble of movement about the tepees, the shrill yammering of squaws, the wailing of children, and the hoarse, guttural exclamations of the men. Not far from where Ellen landed there was a York boat, piled high with cargo, pulled upon the shore.

Her senses stirring with a strange trepidation, Ellen made straight for the center of the camp. In an opening among the tepees she came upon a strange scene. A knot of Indians were swaying back and forth in fierce struggle, and in the center of them loomed the tall figure of—John Benham!

For a moment things seemed to whirl about Ellen. Then she steadied, calmed by a cold, triumphant satisfaction. At last she had run the despoiler to earth. She pushed closer to the center of the conflict. She saw John Benham lash out with one fist and drive a short, powerfully built buck to the ground. Others closed in, but Benham beat them back with short, driving blows, knocking many of the maddened bucks senseless to the ground. Finally the ring about him broke. He leaned over and swept something from the earth before him. When he straightened up again Ellen could see what he held. It was a full, unopened bottle of whiskey!

Benham beat them back with short, driving blows.

Hardly realizing what she was doing, Ellen forced her way through the jam and bedlam until she faced him, where she drew herself up proudly and looked the astonished free trader in the eye.

"You!" he gasped. "Ellen—Miss Mackay!"

"Yes," she answered, her voice dripping with cold contempt. "It is I—you—you—contemptible hound! I've been following evidences of your—your trading activities for nearly a month now, and at last I see you in all your disgusting glory." She pointed at the bottle he held. "What was the matter? Wouldn't these poor unfortunates pay you enough in furs for that poison?"

For a moment Benham looked at her incredulously. "This," he muttered, almost stupidly. "This? Do you mean to say you think I have been trading whisky to the Indians?"

"I don't think—I know. I have been in a dozen camps and I have seen them, and what you have left to them. I hope the picture will be with you always, John Benham. I hope those poor, innocent babies and children, doomed to die of famine this coming winter, will haunt you to your grave. You—you—oh, you greedy, treacherous dog!"

Ellen was white-faced and trembling when she ceased her tirade of accusation, yet her eyes flamed with the fervor and light of a Crusader. Benham was silent, his face white, the muscles of his jaws bulging like coils of iron. Ellen spoke again, with biting scorn.

"You—you half-breed! And you brutalize and starve your own blood-brothers."

"Stop!" The word burst from Benham in a tortured cry. The muscles of his face seemed to writhe, and into his eyes flamed something which caused Ellen to unconsciously give back a pace. For a fractional moment she thought he was going to strike her. Then, suddenly, he grew quiet. His face hardened, his eyes grew cold. A curt, harsh laugh broke from his white lips. He turned away, and with a drive of his arm sent the whisky bottle hurtling against the bole of a nearby spruce, where it crashed to a thousand pieces, its contents running down the rough bark of the tree in an amber flood.

Without a backward look he strode off, and Ellen followed, carried away by her own scorn and anger. For he had had his innings. He had brought her father to the verge of ruin, and she was determined that he should know what her method of retribution would be. He should know in advance that before the season was over the Redcoats from Regina would be on his trail.

She followed him beyond a tepee, then halted in surprise. An old squaw had stopped Benham and was facing him. The squaw was gnarled and bent, a wrinkled, shrunken old crone.

"Thank you," the old crone was saying. "The Great Spirit will bless you, my son."

Benham patted the squaw upon one bowed, shrunken shoulder. "It it nothing, mother," he said slowly. "And the dog responsible for this shall answer to me."

Then, before Ellen could face him again, he had swung off into the forest.

Ellen went slowly back to her canoe, where Moosac awaited her, emotionless and stoic. Somehow the triumph she had imagined would be hers had gone flat—stale and tasteless. She was weary, weary body and soul. Two words kept ringing in her ears. "Son," the squaw had called him. And "mother" he had answered. And now a disquieting doubt, which she could not discard, haunted her mind. Apparently he had fought with the Indians to take the whisky from them, and then he had crashed the bottle to pieces against a tree. Of course, this last could have been merely a gesture to mislead her. Yet, why should the old squaw have thanked him? And why—oh, why—had she called him "my son?"

Three days later Moosac beached the canoe on the shingle below Fort Edson. Another canoe was there, a strange one, with an official insignia upon the bow. Ellen paid scant attention to it. It seemed as though all the fervor of her campaign had left her. She only knew that she was very tired and very discouraged.

When she came to the door of the cabin she heard voices within. That of her father and another, a brisk, authoritative voice.

In the slight gloom of the interior Ellen did not at first see the stranger. She saw only her father.

"You—you found the proof you sought, lass?" her father asked.

Ellen nodded. "I found it."

"You see." Angus Mackay turned to his visitor triumphantly. Then he remembered. "Ellen, lass, this is Trooper Whitlow, of his Majesty's Mounted Police. I have been trying to convince him that John Benham is trading whisky to the Indians. Rumors of such trading had leaked to the outside and Trooper Whitlow has been detailed to run these rumors down. He—he seems a bit hard-headed, but perhaps you can now convince him where I have failed."

Ellen looked at the red-coat quietly. She saw a sturdy man of middle age, already greying slightly about the temples. Whitlow's eyes were keen and blue, his jaw wide and stubborn.

"I am glad to know you," said Ellen. "And I believe I can prove John Benham's guilt."

Whitlow bowed. "I'm sorry to hear that, Miss Mackay," he said crisply. "I have known Benham for a long time and such activity as your father accuses him of does not coincide very well with my previous knowledge of the man. However, that is beside the point. If he is guilty, he shall answer to the law. I see that you are tired, but if you can spare me a few minutes and tell me what you have found out, I shall be obliged."

Ellen nodded and sank into a chair. For an hour she talked. She told of all the Indian camps she had visited and what she saw there. She told of brutalized elders and starving children. It was not a pretty story and before she had finished her father was muttering in anger and Whitlow's eyes had grown dim.

When she finally ended, Whitlow stared at the floor in thought. Then he nodded in quick decision.

"There appears to be little doubt, Miss Mackay," he stated. "You have piled up some very damning evidence, which upsets all my previous knowledge of John Benham. You see, as I said before, I have known Benham for a long time. And I don't mind saying that I am disappointed. For even a relentless cog in the machinery of the law is susceptible to very human emotions. I admired John Benham. But human nature is not infallible. And greed functions in queer and powerful ways. The final straw is that Benham would use such tactics in a tribe of which he is an adopted member."

Ellen stiffened. "Adopted," she exclaimed, a slight tremor in her voice. "Adopted? Why should they adopt him when he is a—a half-breed?"

Whitlow stared at her. "A half-breed?" he demanded with a short, brusque laugh. "Whoever told you that fairy tale?"

"Why—why—isn't he?" stammered Ellen.

"He is not. Anyone who claims he is, is guilty of vicious gossip. John Benham's parents were of finest British stock. They were missionaries. They died when he was but a child, taken off by a scurvy during one of the famine winters. The finest tribute in proof of the affection by which they were held by the Indians is the fact that this certain Cree tribe adopted the boy and raised him."

Ellen and Angus Mackay sat in stunned silence. Ellen's thoughts were so kaleidoscopic she was utterly at a loss for expression. Yet, enough it seemed, a black shadow had been lifted from her world. There was no reason for this emotion, no ground for it whatever, but it persisted and filled her with a growing thrill before her listless weariness immediately dissipated.

It was the old factor who found his voice first. "But—but—Bernard Deteroux, of our company, claims to have proof that Benham is a half-breed."

"Then Deteroux is a liar!" stated Whitlow coldly.

Angus Mackay was a scrupulously honest man. Even what few enemies he may have had, had to admit this. That honesty came to light now.

"In that case," he muttered. "In that case I have done John Benham a grievous wrong."

"Spoken like a man, factor," nodded Whitlow.

He rose to his feet. "I must leave immediately. Benham's trail should be easy to pick up, seeing that he was at the Cree Camp on Mink Lake when you left, Miss Mackay." He smiled slightly. "For official reasons I wish you might be a man for the next week or two. I would like you to be with me when I face Benham. Your evidence at such a time would be invaluable in wringing a confession from him. Given too much time after his capture for scheming, and he may think of a way out."

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PAROLE APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that Cleve Jones, colored, convicted in Coffee County, on a charge of burglary, and sentenced to a term of two to three years in the penitentiary, which sentence was begun December 4, 1934, will make application for permanent parole.

a15-22.pd. CLEVE JONES.

4H CLUB news

4-H CLUB CALF NETS BOY $73.40 PROFIT

A black Angus beef calf which was fed out by Bryan Taylor, of Elba Route 2, gave him a net profit of $73.40 when it was sold at the Fat Stock Show in Dothan April 14th.

The calf weighed 538 pounds and cost $41.60 December 16th, when he was put on feed. He was fed 117 days. The final weight was 786 pounds and sold for 16 cents per pound, amounting to $123.59 less one per cent for handling and $1 for transportation. This calf won $25 in prize money, taking first place in two classes, making the total returns $148.50.

The calf was fed 975 pounds corn, 500-C.S.M., 100 V.B., 300 shorts, 6 gallons of molasses and 950 pounds of peanut hay, making a total feed cost of $33.50. Total cost: $41.60 plus $33.50, equals $75.10.

The average daily gains of this calf was 2.1 pounds.

This calf was judged as the "Reserve Champion" at the show.

COFFEE 4-H BOYS WINNERS AT FAT STOCK SHOW

Six of the eleven beef calves shown by 4-H Club boys from Coffee County at the Fat Stock Show in Dothan last week were winners of cash prizes.

A black Angus calf shown by Bryan Taylor, Elba Route 2, was judged as "Reserve Champion" and won first prize of $15 in Class II Medium weight, and also first prize of $10 in the Class XI Open Handy weight class.

Other prizes won by Coffee County calves are as follows:

3rd prize—$8.00, by John Glen Lee, Elba.

5th prize—$6.00, by Dupree Bragg, Jack.

8th prize—$3.00, by Jack Wilson, Jack.

9th prize—$2.00, by Sambo Martin, Enterprise.

10th prize—$1.00, by John Wallace, New Brockton.

2nd county prize—$15.00, by 6 Coffee County calves.

Other boys from Coffee County who exhibited calves at this show were Melvin Pope, J. A. Wilkes, Jr., Shelly Ziglar and Frank Fleming.

The boys enjoyed these projects and have learned a great deal about the proper method of feeding calves.

Plans are being made for having a greater number of calves for the next show.

WEEKS 4-H BOYS MEET

The Weeks 4-H Club met March 29th. The president, Paul Vinson, called the house to order and the Club Pledge was repeated by the members. The chairman of the program committee took charge, and announced the following numbers:

Song, "Swing Low Sweet Chariot"—by the Club.

Reading, "Little Alyce"—Eddie R. Beckham.

Corn Race—Homer Vinson and Junior Snell.

Readings—Little Joan Beckham.

Club Yell—Club members.

Mr. Washington took charge of the program and brought out several interesting and helpful facts on fertilizers, cover crops and project work.

He then took the club members out to a field and showed them how to run terrace lines.

Junior Childs, Reporter.

ZOAR 4-H CLUB NEWS

Mr. J. E. Washington met with the members of the Zoar 4-H Club to give an interesting lesson on how to tell when hogs have worms. His hair will look ruffed up, the eyes will be red and he will refuse to eat.

Before treating a hog for worms he should be kept off feed for 24 hours, then give one capsule to hogs weighing less than 100 pounds, and two capsules for those weighing over 100 pounds. Four hours after giving the capsule you give each hog one teaspoonful of epsom salts in milk.

We also had a demonstration on culling chickens. We played some games and the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held some time next month.

James Kelley, Reporter.

VICTORIA CLUB NEWS

The girls and boys 4-H Club of Victoria met April 1st to practice the songs and yells for Rally Day April 9. The song and yell leaders and members sang the songs with the help of the teachers.

After the meeting a visit was made to James Head's corn project and he told how he broke his land, prepared it for planting corn and the kinds of fertilizer he used.

Donald Crook, Reporter.

FARMERS ARE PLANTING BETTER STAPLE COTTON

AUBURN, Ala.—Farmers in at least 40 Alabama counties have started cotton improvement work, reports J. C. Lowery, extension agronomist, in advising that "Alabama farmers are manifesting more interest in growing better staple cotton than ever before."

Reports from over the State indicate that producers of good staple cotton have sold most of their seed, while producers of inferior cotton have received very few inquiries for planting seed.

Fresh cows should be started on about three pounds of grain on the fourth day after calving and this should be increased at the rate of ½ pound of grain daily as long as the cow continues to increase her milk flow. A month will generally be needed to get the fresh cow on full feed.

The present development of new paper and kraft mills throughout the South prompts the United States Service to worn farmers against letting all the timber on their places go too cheaply.

Three hundred pounds corn meal, 100 pounds wheat bran, and 100 pounds of cottonseed meal is an excellent grain mixture to use for dairy cows on pasture.

Cotton seed treated with mercury dust generally gives better yields of lint than untreated seed, reports the Bureau of Plant Industry. "Our experience last year with the Ceresan treatment of cotton seed was highly satisfactory," says H. B. Tisdale of the Alabama Experiment Station.

NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA,
COUNTY OF COFFEE.

Default being made in the conditions of the mortgage executed by B. H. Redmon and wife, Merle Redmon, to The Federal Land Bank of New Orleans on November 15, 1922, and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book F-3, Page 393, and in Mortgage Book 3-A, Page 169, Elba Division, said Bank to realize the entire indebtedness secured thereby, will, on May 13th, 1937, between the legal hours of sale at the Courthouse door of Coffee County, in Elba, Alabama, under the power contained in said mortgage, sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described property:

The Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, the South Half of the Southwest Quarter, Section four, the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, the North Half of the Northwest Quarter, Section nine, Township four, Range nineteen.

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NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA,
COUNTY OF COFFEE.

Default being made in the conditions of the mortgage executed by H. C. Kelley (also known as Henry C. Kelley), single, to The Federal Land Bank of New Orleans on June 15th, 1925, and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book Q-3, Page 41, and in Mortgage Book 3-A, Page 228, Elba Division, said Bank to realize the entire indebtedness secured thereby, will, on May 13th, 1937, between the legal hours of sale at the Courthouse door of Coffee County, in Elba, Alabama, under the power contained in said mortgage, sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described property:

The South half of the Southeast quarter, the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter, Section 33, the West half of the Southwest quarter Section 34, less 9¼ acres on east side thereof, said 9¼ acres lying on east side of the Victoria and Troy Road, all in Township 7, Range 21. Situated in Coffee County, Alabama.

THE FEDERAL LAND BANK
OF NEW ORLEANS,
Mortgagee.
B. W. SMITH, Attorney for
Mortgagee. a22-29.m6.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable W. L. Parks, Judge of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, rendered on the 14th day of April, 1937, the undersigned Superintendent of Banks of the State of Alabama, liquidating The Bank of New Brockton, New Brockton, Alabama, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Court House of Coffee County, at Elba, on the 11th day of May, 1937, all the remaining assets of said Bank of New Brockton, a Corporation, not heretofore disposed of and which remain in the hands of said Superintendent of Banks for liquidation. A list of said assets is attached to the petition filed by said Superintendent of Banks in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, on the 14th day of April, 1937, seeking authority to sell same, and in response to which the aforementioned decree, under which this sale is being made was rendered on the 14th day of April, 1937. Said sale is being made for the purpose of disposing of said remaining assets in order that there may be a final settlement made of said trust. Said sale will be made subject to confirmation of the Court having jurisdiction of this matter.

This the 19th day of April, 1937.

J. H. WILLIAMS,
As Superintendent of Banks of the State of Alabama, liquidating The Bank of New Brockton, a Corporation, of New Brockton, Alabama.
J. C. FLEMING, Attorney for said Superintendent of Banks.
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NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA,
COUNTY OF COFFEE.

Default being made in the conditions of the mortgage executed by W. H. Bedsole and wife, Maudie Bedsole, to The Federal Land Bank of New Orleans on November 1st, 1927, and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book R-3, Page 190, and in Book 3-A, Page 266 of the Elba Division, said Bank to realize the entire indebtedness secured thereby, will, on May 13, 1937, between the legal hosrs of sale at the Courthouse door of Coffee County, in Elba, Alabama, under the power contained in said mortgage, sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described property:

East half of East half of Section 6, Township 3, Range 19, Northeast quarter of Southeast quarter and Southeast quarter of Northeast quarter less one half acre described as follows: Starting at the line between J. I. Pierce and T. Bedsole, running to public road 35 yards east, thence North 70 yards, thence west 35 yards to line between J. I. Pierce and T. Bedsole, thence south to starting point, section 31, township 4, range 19. Containing 240 acres more or less. Situated in Coffee County, Ala.

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People & Things

(Continued From Page One)

he was sick. Then he happened to think it was hog sale day in Elba and that he was scheduled to officiate at the scales. He then decided he was not sick. He went to the stock pens and kept busy all morning and felt fine. He went home at noon and ate another big meal and was still feeling fine. He went back to the stockyards and saw the sale closed and finished up his work. Almost immediately he again decided he was sick and was taken with a severe pain in his side, which he decided was pleuresy. He went to bed and was a really sick man for two or three days. However, Mrs. Farris says he had a ravenous appetite all through his spell of pleuresy and did not miss a meal. His many friends are happy to know that Willie has decided he has been sick long enough and is now well along the way of recovery.

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ECONOMY—I have often wondered why people want to smoke pipes, but a friend of mine gave me the lowdown the other day. He says he smokes a pipe as a matter of economy, because he can fill and light up his pipe without offering to divide with all his friends.

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INSPIRATIONAL—Dr. W. M. Ringsdorf, Prof. A. C. Dunaway, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Drew and C. B. McDowell attended a district convention of Business Men's Evangelistic clubs at Georgiana Sunday afternoon, held in the Methodist Church. State President W. M. Ringsdorf, assisted by local President Eady, presided. The meeting was well attended and an interesting and inspirational program was rendered. An enjoyable feature was the appetizing plate lunch served by the ladies in the community cabin at 6 o'clock in the evening. All who have attended these district meetings have learned to look forward to them with much anticipation. The Georgiana male quartet rendered two enjoyable numbers and Jimmie Johnson, evangelist, assisted by his singer, had important places on the program. Fine talks and wonderful personal testimonies were given. It was announced that the State convention will be held in Montgomery the early part of June.

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BASEBALL—The baseball season has again arrived and we fans will have something to read about besides the Spanish war and the President's efforts to renovate the Supreme Court. The Southern League opened last Friday and the big leagues started Monday. The game at Washington between the home team and the Philadelphia Athletics was broadcast over a national hookup and proved to be an exciting nip-and-tuck 11-inning affair, finally being won by Connie Mack's reputed tailenders.

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BAD ROADS—Jess Blocker, as well as the other Elba r. f. d. carriers, report that the heavy rains of two weeks ago did more damage to the roads on their routes than they thought. They say that, taken as a whole, they are in worse condition than they have been in several years. They say many of the roads are almost impassable and have had no work done on them since the rain.

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SAME STORY—Rev. J. A. Jones attended a B. Y. P. U. convention in Birmingham last week-end and, among other things, gives an interesting account of what he saw in a beer joint where he inadvertently entered for the purpose of quenching his thirst with a coca-cola. It seems he had a similar experience to that of some other Elbians, who recently went to New Orleans to attend a religious gathering and try as they would, everywhere they went, eats, beer and liquors were sold at the same places. And so it is, whether it be in Birmingham, New Orleans or in other cities, it is hard to find a place that does not handle alcoholic beverages along with the staff of life.

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SCHOOLS CLOSE—Reports from consolidated schools all over the county are to the effect that they closed with fine programs, attended by hosts of patrons. The consensus of opinion seems to be that the schools of Coffee County have just completed one of the most successful and satisfactory terms in their history. The credit should be given to the efficient administration of Supt. A. C. Dunaway, the County School Board, the local trustees, the fine corps of principals and teachers, the cooperation of the patrons and pupils. The efficent service rendered by the large fleet of school busses also had an important part in its success. Superintendent Dunaway is to be congratulated on the fine record he has made during his first year at the helm of the county schools. It is a big job and he has come through with flying colors.

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FIRE TRUCK—The truck purchased by the City Council some time ago is getting to look more like a fire truck every week. The old saying, "slow but sure," probably gives assurance that it will be a thing of sterling worth and utility when it is completed. Everyone will heave a sigh of relief when it is known that Elba has better fire protection than it has at the present time.

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STARCH—Newspaper stories coming out of Meridian, Miss., indicate that the industry of making starch from sweet potatoes is growing to large proportions in that section. It will be remembered that Dr. W. M. Ringsdorf agitated such an industry for Elba a year or two ago, taking up the matter through the Elba Chamber of Commerce. The committee reported that the industry was in its infancy and would have to be tested out more fully before much definite information could be obtained. However, the industry has had a steady and substantial growth over at Meridian and it is reported that it is affording a profitable market for sweet potatoes, as well as giving employment to a large number of people connected with the manufacture of starch. Perhaps the time has arrived when such an industry can be developed here. There is no section anywhere that can produce more or better sweet potatoes than Coffee County and if there is a ready, stable market for them, they should be one of the county's principal crops. What says you, Doc?

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FLY CAMPAIGN—County Sanitary Inspector R. M. Drew is waging an intensive educational campaign on housefly eradication. He has distributed wire screen flytraps in strategic places and hung posters in various public places, with accompanying explanatory literature, describing the danger of the fly menace. He is also making war on rats and mosquitoes. He reports that he is receiving hearty cooperation from a large majority of citizens throughout the county.

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SYMPATHY—The many friends of J. D. Cantaline will be sorry to learn that he is almost blind. He lost one of his eyes about two years ago. Recently, he has been having serious trouble with the other one and upon examination, Dr. C. P. Hayes informed him that a cataract is growing over it and that it will have to be given time to "get ripe" before it can be removed.

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STREET LIGHT—Ever since the one-way traffic system around the Elba public square was inaugurated, about four months ago, there has been considerable objection expressed by some of our merchants, especially those on the south side. A fund has been raised to purchase a traffic light to be installed at the southeast corner of the square, but Mayor L. P. Mullins says he finds, upon investigation, that there is a divided opinion in regard to the matter, and he is in favor of leaving it to a vote of the people before the present one-way traffic law is changed. He says the present system was inaugurated as an experiment, following the lamentable accident which claimed the life of Miss Mary Ellen Farris, and he thinks the matter should be decided by a majority vote.

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CAN'T TELL 'EM—Mrs. Irma Rainey, attendant in the dental office of Dr. W. M. Ringsdorf, tells the following joke on Rev. W. J. Hughes. She says that the Methodist pastor recently brought one of his little twin daughters to the office and said: "I have brought Louise to have some dental work done." The little girl demurred by saying: "No, I am not Louise. I am Elouise."

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IMPROVEMENTS—The Woco-Pep service station, southeast corner of the square, W. A. Prescott, manager, is undergoing extensive repairs. According to plans, the station will be enlarged and greatly enhanced in appearance when the job is completed.

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GOOD SHOWING—Coffee County 4-H Club boys made a fine showing at the fat stock show in Dothan last week. A list of the prize-winners from this county appears in another column of this issue.

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TRICKED—The story is being told that one of our local citizens who has from time to time been accused of dabbling in the illicit handling of liquor, recently was the victim of a heartless crook. Said swindler, so it is said, sold our fellowtownsman a quantity of what was claimed to be genuine drinking liquor and collected $20 therefor. When the stuff was opened, it was found to be pure water.

MRS. WARD ENTERTAINS AT BRIDGE PARTY—

Mrs. Thomas Ward was a gracious hostess at her home on College Street Friday afternoon, April 16th, when she honored the members of her bridge club and several other friends at a delightful bridge party.

Baskets of blooming spring flowers in a color note of white and green adorned the living room where the three tables of players were seated.

An added interesting feature to the games was the presentation by the hostess of the "cackling hen," which was awarded throughout the series of progressions to different members and was the final award of Mrs. C. E. Dorsey.

At the conclusion of the games, a delicious salad plate with iced drink was served to the following: Mrs. Ella Boothe, Mrs. Claude Dorsey, Mrs. J. M. Rowe, Mrs. H. Jeter, Mrs. Walter Whitman, Jr., Mrs. D. N. Bottoms, Mrs. Sam Sawyer, Mrs. C. E. Dorsey, Mrs. Walter Jackson, Mrs. Kimmey Farris, Mrs. Arden Bradley and Miss Zadie Rowe. Mrs. W. R. Crook, Mrs. J. C. Dixon and Mrs. E. E. Purvis, Jr., of Rocky Mount, N. C., were tea guests.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our many thanks and appreciation to all the people who so liberally responded and helped us after our house and contents were completely destroyed by fire on Saturday, April 17th. We certainly thank each and every one of you, and appreciate all the things given and done for us.

MRS. G. T. JOHNSON
AND CHILDREN.

Y. W. Rainer, L. S. Rainer and children and Mrs. F. W. Kearse visited Mrs. L. S. Rainer at Moody hospital in Dothan Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Flournoy Whitman and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitman and Mrs. Minnie Bailey have returned from a delightful visit to Tampa and Winter Haven, Florida.

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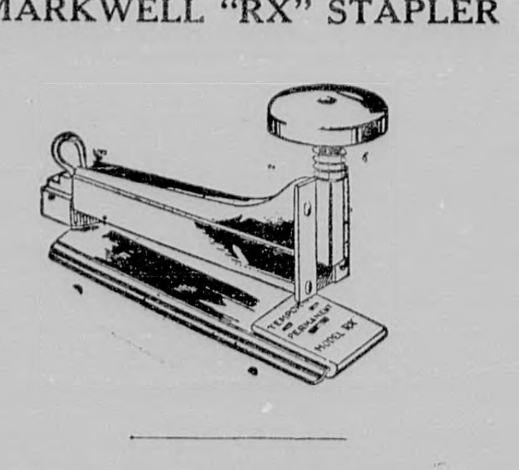

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MARTHA RAYE
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WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
"BANJO ON MY KNEE"
—With—
BARBARA STANWYCK, JOEL McCREA, Katherine DeMille

METHODIST W. M. S. MET MONDAY AT CHURCH—

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held an interesting meeting for Bible Study at the church on Monday afternoon at three-thirty.

In the absence of Mrs. D. C. Marley, the president, Mrs. W. J. Hughes presided and disposed of the business.

The meeting was opened with a song, "More Like The Master." Mrs. Levy Morrow gave the devotional, followed with prayer by Mrs. Allard French.

The Bible Study lesson, from first Samuel, was taught by Mrs. Hughes, after which the Society engaged in a round table discussion. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Levy Morrow.

Mrs. Binion of Montgomery was the guest of Mrs. Mamie B. Hill Monday night.

Mr. Coleman Hamm has returned from a visit to relatives in Gadsden.

Little Misses Eleanor and Judith Brunson spent several days last week with relatives in Samson.

Mrs. F. J. Mizell of Samson was a visitor to Elba Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Glenwood have come to Elba to spend some time and are now occupying the Lee home on West Simmons Street. Mr. Lee's friends will regret to learn that he has been ill for several months and trust that he may soon be much improved.

Mr. J. P. Tilley of Ozark was an Elba visitor Saturday.

Mrs. John Brunson, Sixth District Director of Federated Clubs, attended the State Federation Convention in Mobile last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Together with representing the district, Mrs. Brunson served as delegate from the Elba Study Club.

Mrs. C. B. McDowell and daughter, Mrs. Frank Newton, visited Miss Frances McDowell in Dothan Tuesday. Mrs. Newton and little son, Robert, went on to Monticello, Fla., Wednesday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Howard McClellan.

Mrs. W. B. Perdue returned Tuesday evening from a visit with her brother at Naftel and her brother-in-law at Fort Deposit. Her son, Albert, accompanied her home, after a business trip to Birmingham, Gadsden, Guntersville, Bessemer and Fort Deposit.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Farris and children visited relatives in Montgomery over the week-end.

Dr. Givhan Perdue, who was injured in an automobile accident two weeks ago while on his way to Elba from his home in Fort Valley, Ga., had sufficiently recovered last Thursday to be able to go to Tuscaloosa for a visit with his brother, Marvin, and wife. He returned home from there.

Mrs. F. W. Kearse, Mrs. C. B. McDowell and Mrs. Frank Newton visited Mrs. Lamar Rainer at Moody hospital in Dothan, Tuesday.

Pigs being pushed for the early September markets should receive four per cent of their live weight of: corn, 60 parts; wheat shorts, 32 parts; tankage, 8 parts; or corn, 3 parts; peanut meal, 1 part, in addition to being kept on a good pasture.

A marked rural to urban shift in the South's population is reported by Dr. Carl C. Taylor of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics in releasing figures showing that in 1900 the urban population consisted of only 15 per cent of the total Southern population, compared with 32 per cent in 1930.

MISS MADDOX HOSTESS TO BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLE—

The Business and Professional Women's Circle of the Baptist Missionary Society was delightfully entertained for a mission program meeting Monday evening, April 19th, at 7:30, by Miss Lucille Maddox, in the home of Mrs. Levy Rowell.

Mrs. J. A. Timmerman, president, presided. Roll call and minutes were read by the secretary, Mrs. J. W. Kendrick.

Reports of committees were given, and the Circle voted to provide clothing and other supplies for an afflicted girl as its special personal service work.

Mrs. J. W. Kendrick was leader of the program on "France" and gave the devotional and opening prayer. The program was as follows:

The French In Review—Miss Zadie Rowe.

Christianity In France—Miss Nora Bullock.

French Americans—Mrs. Mary Alice Mays.

Neglected People—Miss Carrie Vaughn.

Song—"Have Thine Own Way, Lord."

Miss Hazel Busbee and Mrs. James Dennis were welcomed as new members, and Miss Myrtle Donaldson and Miss Ruth Warren as guests.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Miss Carrie Vaughn.

At the conclusion of the program, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Levy Rowell, served delicious sandwiches and an iced drink and candies to the following: Mrs. J. A. Timmerman, Miss Hazel Busbee, Miss Nora Bullock, Mrs. Baxter Bryan, Mrs. James Dennis, Mrs. J. W. Kendrick, Miss Zadie Rowe, Miss Carrie Vaughn, Mrs. R. L. Martin, Miss Mabel Brunson, Miss Myrtle Donaldson, Miss Lucy Meadows, Miss Ruth Warren and Mrs. Mary Alice Mays.

Mrs. J. M. Folsom had as her guests during the past week-end Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Folsom and Sonny of Gadsden, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ellis and baby of Evergreen, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clark of Greenville, Mr. Fred Folsom of Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. James Folsom of Albertville, and Miss Juanita Beasley of Birmingham.

Mrs. Moses Hamm, after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamm, has gone to Luverne to be the guest of her mother, Mrs. Howell.

Miss Zadie Rowe was a recent visitor to Montgomery as the guest of her sister, Miss Elizabeth Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Boyd were in Elba Monday en route to their home in Enterprise from a visit to relatives in Atlanta.

Mrs. Mamie B. Hill was a visitor to Montgomery Monday. She was accompanied by several boys who have enlisted in CCC Camps.

Mrs. L. S. Rainer, who underwent an operation at Moody's Hospital in Dothan last week, is reported to be rapidly improving.

Mrs. W. W. Sanders left last week for Live Oak, Fla., where she will be the guest of relatives for some time.

NOTICE

I have the agency for Aermotor Wind Mills and equipment. If you are interested, will be glad to see you and give full details.—C. E. Grimes, Elba Route 4.

Rev. J. A. Timmerman, Rev. J. A. Jones, Misses Gladys Whitman, Frances Conner and Marjorie Brunson attended the State B. Y. P. U. training school held in Birmingham last week. They report a very interesting and instructive meeting.

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H. M. SHEVNAN, widely known expert of Chicago, will personally be at the Houston Hotel, Dothan, Wednesday only, April 28, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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REGISTER'S SALE

Isaac Allen, Et Als, Complainants, vs. C. A. Allen, Et Als, Respondents. In the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, in Equity.

Under and by virtue of the decree of the Circuit Court in the above entitled cause, rendered the 17th day of April, 1937, I, J. W. Brock, as Register of said Court, will sell for cash, to the highest bidder, at the door of the County Courthouse in Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on the 24th day of May, 1937, the following real estate, to-wit:

26½ acres of land, more or less, lying and being in the NW ¼ of SE ¼, Section 21, Township 7, Range 22, Coffee County, Alabama. Same being a sale for division among the joint owners of said property.

Witness my hand this 21st day of April, 1937.

J. W. BROCK,
Register.

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WALTER MILLS

"Walt Mills," as he was familiarly known, has passed on to the higher life. Few people who will read these lines knew this man except as a victim of the intemperate habit. Few people who read these lines will mourn his going on. To those who love humanity, their hearts are made sad. That part of humanity which formed the circle within which Walt lived, moved and had his being, will miss a dear friend. They will recall deeds of kindness performed by him as long as they live.

Walt Mills had no swindles charged to his life. He did not pray the prayer of a hypocrite. He had no dishonesty to conceal behind the name of any social, business, or religious organization. People could look into his eyes and see to the bottom of his good heart. He did not fail his country in the time of battle. To those who knew him best, he fought a good fight during his lifetime, taking into consideration the advantages, or rather the disadvantages, under which he labored.

ALMON STRAIN.

Mrs. Harris Winston is spending some time in Elba with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Ham, and other relatives.

Mr. Pig Brunson of Pensacola, Fla., has been the guest of Elba relatives for the past several days. He formerly resided in the county and has many friends here who are always glad to see him on his visits.

A seven-pound son was born, Saturday, April 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vaughn. He has been named Donald Eugene.

Mesdames W. H. Coston, Wesley Harris and F. H. Murphree were visitors to Troy Tuesday.

PINE LEVEL STUDENTS ENJOY CAPITAL VISIT—

As a fitting close for a successful year's work done by the Junior High School students of the Pine Level school in Coffee County, 40 members of the class made a delightful tour of the Capital City Saturday, April 17th.

The party, conducted by Mrs. J. W. Kendrick, a teacher in the Pine Level school, left on a school bus driven by Mr. John Oliver and, on arriving in Montgomery, made an inspection of the State Capitol building, Maxwell Field, the city parks and other points of interest about the city.

A picnic lunch was enjoyed at Oak Park at the noon hour.

SINGING AT CENTER RIDGE

The annual Sacred Harp singing known as the "Smith Memorial Sing" was held at Center Ridge Church on last Sunday and this proved to be the best one held there in a long time. Mr. G. B. Carroll called the class to order at 9:30 by singing a few songs, after which Mr. J. J. Sanders was elected as chairman for the day. Other officers were: Mr. John Enzor, Jack Jackson and C. M. Killingsworth, arranging committee; W. M. Carroll, vice-chairman.

Mr. Sanders led a song, which was followed with prayer by Mr. Carroll. The committee then reported the following lessons for the morning: Lesson by five, three songs each: J. T. Walker, M. B. Killingsworth, Morgan Mathis and C. E. Taylor. Recess five minutes. Lesson by six, three songs each: John Curtis, Robert Moore, L. L. Wood, Thomas Allen, Dock Wilks, Winfield Mathis. Recess one hour for lunch.

The class was called to order by the chairman and the following lesson was reported for the afternoon, with recess at intervals: M. B. Smith, Edd Revels, H. W. Dean, F. M. Cain, S. A. Bowers, Clemmie Grimes, W. M. Scarbrough, E. A. Wilks, J. H. Jackson, Tom Sanders, Eloise Carroll, E. D. Kelley, Joe Deal, E. Z. Flowers, Charlie Helms, T. J. Allen, T. J. Hester, H. A. King, E. A. Chapman, Lockhard Miles, Will Bradley, R. E. Jackson, J. S. J. Sanders, Amos Chancey, W. L. Thompson, T. F. Wilkins, Connie Cook, C. M. Killingsworth, B. M. B. Chapman, R. A. Lowery.

A few announcements were then made. The chairman closed the singing by singing an appreciation song, and Mr. R. A. Lowery dismissed with prayer.

Resolution Of Thanks

We, the singers and visitors here today, do so much appreciate the hospitality of the people of Center Ridge shown us and especially do we thank the ladies for their attention given us at the noon hour. May we all meet back again one year from today.

J. J. SANDERS, Chairman.
MRS. ROWE STEVENS,
Secretary.

Mrs. D. J. Brooks, Mrs. John Armor, Mrs. O. Dowling, Mrs. P. G. Mathis and Miss Evelyn Allred were Dothan visitors Tuesday. They visited Mrs. L. S. Rainer at Moody hospital.

Mrs. Sue Lee Gunter and Mrs. Julia Sanders of Tuscaloosa were recent visitors to Elba, on account of the illness of their brother, Mr. Charles Lee.

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EVERGREEN CLUB MEETS

The Evergreen Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Voncile Wise. The house was called to order by the secretary, and Miss Slaughter led a demonstration on cooking cabbage. Ten members were present.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Joel Smith, when it is hoped that a larger number will be present.

Miss Minnie L. Smith, Reporter.

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One Killed, Score Injured Saturday In Houston; 25 Houses Razed By Cyclone

DOTHAN, Ala., Apr. 26.—Mrs. Noah Pitts, elderly matron of near Cottonwood, who was seriously injured when a tornado levelled her home Saturday, died in a Dothan hospital at 9:45 tonight. She is the only fatality of the twister, although two more women are in a serious condition.

(Dothan Eagle, April 25)

Rising in the wake of torrential rains, a tornado swept a circuitous path through the county Saturday afternoon, injuring a score of persons—three of them seriously—and doing property damage tentatively estimated at between $8,000 and $10,000.

The twister began its zig-zag course near the Cameron's mill community at 2:30 p.m., when three homes within 300 yards of each other were levelled. Although eye witnesses' accounts of which direction the tornado approached differed, twisted and uprooted trees indicated that it traveled a southeastern course.

Most seriously injured was Mrs. Noah Pitts, elderly resident of the Cameron mill community. She was found pinned beneath timbers of her demolished home. A daughter, Mrs. Daisy Baxley, and a small child in the five-room house escaped with minor lacerations and bruises. Mrs. Pitts was brought to a Dothan hospital, where an examination revealed she suffered fractures of both legs, severe lacerations about the head and body and undetermined back injuries.

The home of Mrs. C. M. Varnum, about 200 yards from the Pitts home, was unroofed and heavily damaged by falling trees and flying timbers. Mrs. Varnum and two children, who were in the house at the time, escaped without injury.

The home of Grady Lloyd on the same road with the other two homes was demolished. Mrs. Lloyd, who was in bed with a day-old infant, narrowly escaped injury or death when the iron bedstead served as a protective screen and kept a portion of the roof from crushing the two. Mrs. Carey Lloyd, the woman's mother-in-law, sustained a broken nose and severe gashes and bruises about the head.

Virgil Wright, who lived at the Pitts home and had walked a few hundred feet from the house at the time of the storm, gave a graphic description of the disaster.

"I heard the drone the storm was making but couldn't tell where it was coming from," he said. "All of a sudden the trees and bushes around the house went up in the air. The house sounded like a cannon when it went into the air. I jumped in a ditch and waited until it had passed. It wasn't a minute until I heard it hit Mr. Lloyd's house.

"I got up and ran toward the house and saw Mrs. Pitts buried underneath some boards and part of the porch. Her legs were broken and I tried to get her up but she couldn't stand to be moved. Pretty soon some more people came running up and when we tried to lift her we saw both her legs and arms were tangled in a wire fence.

"The whole house was splintered up into little pieces and all that was left where it stood was the brick foundation. Pieces of wood and furniture were flying everywhere during the storm and it looked for a minute like the world was coming to an end," he declared.

Ray Rhodes, one of the first persons to reach the Lloyd home, said it was impossible to realize the force of the tornado.

"I heard every home splinter," he declared. "First it struck the Varnum home, next the Pitts home and last the Lloyd home. It sounded like a box of dynamite going off.

"I ran over to the Lloyd place and it didn't look like a single person could be alive. I started searching around and pretty soon heard Mrs. Grady Lloyd screaming. I couldn't find her at first but in a minute saw that she was in bed with a big piece of the roof over her. The bottom of the bedstead was holding it up. She didn't look to be hurt and the day-old baby didn't make a sound until she kept screaming. Then it started crying. It was scared, I guess.

"I stayed there until some neighbors came and we tried to get her out. It was raining as hard as could be and I found an old shirt that we wrapped around the baby.

"Both of them were sure lucky to get out alive," he said.

Mrs. Carey Lloyd was also extricated from the wreckage by neighbors.

Although exact number of homes damaged or persons hurt in the community could not be definitely estimated, an observer saw at least twenty-five homes partly unroofed and about that many persons nursing minor bruises and cuts.

W. I. Vann, Dothan resident, was passing the section in his automobile during the height of the storm.

"The trees were cracking and breaking all along the road," he said. "It's just impossible to tell how bad the weather looked. I believe every home in this section of the county was damaged some."

The same scenes met the eye and the same accounts of the tornado were given in the Harper Church community.

The home of Mrs. S. L. Ketchem, elderly matron, was levelled and she sustained injuries which may prove fatal. She was carried to the home of C. L. Varnum, a neighbor.

Flooded by driving rains accompanying the storm, streams made travel over roads in the community impossible. At some low places fissures separated the road. Anxiously eyeing low flying clouds, residents camped on their front porches, while others left to spend the night with neighbors.

Chickens and small birds were found dead in the path of the storm.

Desmond Mathis, Cameron's mill farmer, gave an account of the storm which probably shows its course.

"I first heard it coming about a mile away," he said. "At first I thought it was a big cloud but when it got nearer I could see trees and all bending and knew it was a tornado.

"It came with a big 'whooshing' sound. It was so dark for a minute that you couldn't see a thing. It was coming out of the southeast," he declared.

Reports were that the homes of A. M. and Hershel Harper, brothers who were killed in Chipley, Fla., last week, were destroyed, could not be immediately confirmed.

Debris was found in the tops of tall trees, while bales of hay from the Pitts barn were found scattered over a wide area. No livestock was found to be injured, although several barns were unroofed.

At many places, the path of the tornado was so narrow it scattered woodpiles or shrubbery around homes without doing any material damage to the structures. At other places, front or back porches were swept from homes.

Whether all damage can be laid to one twister or a dozen or so could not be determined. It appeared to jump from one section to the other with an amazing rapidity.

The Associated Press reported that torrential rains were general throughout South Alabama. At Fairhope, across the bay from Mobile, the State experiment station recorded nine inches in four hours. The official rainfall at Pensacola was 10.56 inches, and unofficial reports from other South Alabama towns told of heavy downpours. Creeks were up, but no major flood danger was sighted.

Rainfall over Northern Alabama was not sufficient to cause major flood danger on streams in that section of the State.

J. H. Howard, Cullman, Ala., was killed by lightning Friday night, and Robert Southall and Cecil Kennedy, both of Birmingham, were bruised by hailstones before they could find shelter. They were fishing on the Warrior River.

REHABILITATION WORK IS HELPING MANY FARMERS

The President's recent tenancy message and legislation now before Congress indicate a concerted drive to solve the problems of farm tenancy and bring aid to thousands of farmers at the "bottom of the agricultural ladder," states J. H. Wise, Rural Rehabilitation Supervisor for the Resettlement Administration in Coffee County.

The helping hand of the federal government already has been extended to many tenant farmers through the Rural Rehabilitation program, Mr. Wise said. Of the 213 families who have received rehabilitation loans in Coffee County, approximately 200 have been tenants.

"An important beginning in the movement to reduce the prevalence of farm tenancy and in providing greater opportunity for farm ownership for tenants has been made through this rehabilitation work," Mr. Wise declared. It is recognized that the farm and home supervision given in connection with the rehabilitation loans, along with farm debt adjustment and cooperative services, will go far toward helping thousands of farmers take the important upward step from tenancy to farm ownership.

"The latest agricultural census figures show there are 3,170 tenant families in Coffee County and that 74 per cent of all farms in Coffee County are operated by tenants."

MRS. CALLIE MADDOX DIES AT HOME NEAR VICTORIA

Mrs. Callie D. Maddox, 75 years of age, highly esteemed resident of the Victoria community, passed away last Wednesday night, April 21, following a short illness. She was born and reared in the county and had spent all her life here. She was the wife of the late W. C. Maddox, for many years one of that section's most prominent citizens.

Funeral services were held at Rosin Ridge Church Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. B. S. Lowery conducted the services. Interment was in the church cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Gardner Maddox, Cortez Maddox, R. Bell, Charlie Thomas, Sam McCollough and Cicero Rowell. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Maddox is survived by one son, Mr. Oscar T. Maddox; two brothers, H. W. Ellis and Thomas Ellis, and one half brother, Thomas J. Plant, and a number of other relatives.

STUDY COURSE IS GIVEN BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE

A study course for Baptist young people is being conducted at the First Baptist Church of Elba this week, under direction of the State B. T. U. The meetings will continue through Friday night.

The intermediate group is being taught by Mrs. Chester Quarles, of Montgomery. The Juniors are being instructed by Mrs. Greil Tillman of Elba.

A county-wide B. T. U. training course is also being given this week, Rev. Chester Quarles being the inspirational speaker at the several meetings. Rev. Quarles is the State worker for the B. T. U.

Much interest is being manifested in all the meetings held in the county. The attendance at the Elba church has been fifty each evening, according to reports.

MR. MORGAN PROMOTED

Mr. J. R. Morgan, for several years cashier of the American National Bank of Union Springs, has recently been named vice-president of the institution, succeeding the late W. M. Crossley. Mr. Morgan is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam R. Morgan of Elba and has many friends here who will be glad to learn of his promotion.

TEMPERANCE PROGRAM TO BE PRESENTED FRIDAY A.M.

Members of the W. C. T. U. of Elba are sponsoring a temperance program to be given at the school auditorium on Friday morning, April 30, at 9:45 o'clock. The program will be under the direction of Mrs. Mayo Prescott. Two playlets will be given, and Prof. Thomas Ward will give an illustrated lecture on the effects of alcohol on the human system. The public is urged to attend.

About People and Things

By C. B. McDowell

FINE CATTLE—Five truck loads of Hereford steers recently passed through Elba which attracted considerable attention and comment. They were the property of T. S. Faulk & Sons of Samson and were on their way to Montgomery, where they were sold to Swift & Company at a fancy price. The following comment appeared in a recent issue of the Retail Merchant:

"T. S. Faulk & Sons of Samson, in Geneva County, sold in Montgomery 223 steers weighing 201,640 pounds, the shipment averaging slightly better than 900 pounds a head. Officials at the Union Stock Yards, where the steers were cleared, said it was the best lot of beef cattle ever marketed in Montgomery. For this extraordinarily fine shipment of steers, Swift & Company paid $19,659.79, an average of nearly $90 a head and 9½ cents per pound on foot.

"West Alabama has been famous in recent years in supplying the Montgomery market with high grade beef cattle, but Mr. Faulk's fine lot of steers put the Southern part of the State in the running for any laurels to be handed out for champion steers."

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COFFEE COUNTY, TOO—We congratulate Mr. Faulk and Samson on those fine steers, but we wish to call attention to the fact that Coffee County also has produced some choice beef cattle, as demonstrated by some of our 4-H Club boys at the Dothan Fat Stock Show, two weeks ago. They demonstrated that high class beef cattle can be raised here very economically and at a nice profit. Competent judges have expressed the opinion that beef cattle can be produced in this section as cheaply and as well as in any part of the world. We have the climate with which no other cattle-raising section can successfully compete, requiring no expensive shelter, as is necessary farther north. Abundant rainfall throughout the year affords plenty of pasturage and prolific growth of feedstuffs. Such prices as were paid at Montgomery for the Faulk cattle and at Dothan two weeks ago has caused many of our farmers to sit up and take notice. There is no question but that high grade beef cattle can be grown here at a nice profit. It has been predicted that this is destined to become an important cattle-growing district.

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THREE YEARS—What a difference three years can make in the development of a boy! When Albert Perdue, three years ago, left Elba for Chili, South America, his nephew, Billy Perdue, was only a little boy that his Uncle Albert could take across his knee and spank at will. But what a change. Mr. Perdue came home on a visit three weeks ago, and still considering Billy as a mere child, accepted his challenge for a wrestling match. Billy nad become a star football player and is hard as nails. He gave his Uncle Albert a neat wrestling lesson and as a result, Mr. Perdue found it necessary to have a doctor tape up a few cracked ribs.

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FIRE TRUCK COMPLETED—Elba's bright red fire truck is at last completed and ready to go. Police Chief Dock Parker informs me that the local fire department will be reorganized with the idea of the members being selected from men who live close to the business section, so as to be available at all times, in case of fire. Chief Parker says that as soon as the personnel of firefighters is selected, fire drills will be indulged in so that the men may become familiar with the new fire-fighting apparatus. Every man is to know his place and duty, so as to avoid such costly mixups as have occurred in the past.

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GOOD STANDS—Farmers from various sections of the county report that they have at last secured fine stands of cotton and corn. The abundant moisture and warm weather of the past two weeks brought up the plants in a hurry. Following the heavy rains of last Friday and Saturday, Sunday and Monday were too cool for much growth, but higher temperatures are again on the way and it is predicted that cotton, corn and other growing crops will not suffer materially, other than a slight setback.

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LOOKS NO OLDER—Mr. and Mrs. "Tommie" Thomason of West Palm Beach, Fla., arrived in Elba Monday on a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Lindsey and other relatives. Tommie is a little heavier than when he left here about seven years ago, but otherwise has changed very little from when he managed and was a star outfielder on the Elba baseball team. However, their little daughter who accompanied them calls attention to the fact that the years have been rolling by.

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TOO MUCH MONEY—Oswell Dowling says his worst objection to the sales tax is his trouble in keeping his customers from giving him quarters instead of bibbies. He reports that when the State tax collector last called on him he found 33 cents too much money in his bibbie box, a mistaken quarter for a bibbie explaining a part of the over-plus. Mr. Dowling says, however, he is getting pretty well used to the "mess" and is becoming reconciled to what at first almost ran him "haywire."

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STOPPED—When Jim Whitman recently dropped his watch, Sam Collier asked him if it stopped when it hit the floor. Jim answered by asking Sam if he supposed it went on through the concrete.

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PRETTY FOUNTAIN—The fish pond, with drinking fountains, surrounding the flowing well in the southwest corner of the couryard has been further improved and beautified the past week. A steel netting fence has been erected, encircling the enclosure. Between the fence and the pool is a space of rich earth which has been planted to flowers. When the fence is painted and the flowers and shrubs have time to manifest their beauty, it will be an attractive spot.

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JOKE ON JUDGE—When Judge Parks drove into Elba Monday morning to hold court, he violated the city traffic laws by continuing east on the north side of court square. Watchdog J. M. Garrett was right on the job and promptly called the Judge to time, telling him it was a "fine way to do—coming down here from Troy for the professed purpose of dishing out justice, and the very first thing violating our traffic laws." Judge Parks promptly backed up his car and went around the square the right way and hunted up Chief of Police Parker and profusely apologized, explaining that it was far from his intention to violate any law of any kind whatsoever.

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SHOCKING—It would seem that Y. W. Rainer has been getting more than his share of shocks lately. He says that while sitting in a window at Moody's hospital Sunday afternoon, a tire blew out almost directly beneath him, causing him to think he had been shot, momentarily. Then, Monday afternoon, while peacefully sitting on a bench in front of Bonneau-Jeter Hdw. Co., some practical joker, down near Elba Drug Co., threw a big firecracker under Mr. Rainer, the terrific detonation almost startling him into hysterics.

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"HAPPY VALLEY" ICE CREAM PARLOR ATTRACTIVE PLACE

The "Happy Valley" ice cream parlor, adjunct of the Elba Ice & Meat Curing Company, located across the street from the Methodist Church, is open for business, and Manager Dozier Bryan informs us that the first few days' patronage has been even more encouraging than expected.

Everything pertaining to the "Happy Valley" is neat and clean as the proverbial pin and all the fixtures and appurtenances are of the most modern design. The latest thing in ice cream freezing machinery is conveniently located, just behind a screen from the parlor. Read announcement on page four of this issue.

WOODMEN ENJOY BARBECUE; TO MEET NEXT THURSDAY

Members of Crockett Camp, No. 459, Woodmen of the World, and a number of visiting Woodmen enjoyed a fine barbecue on last Thursday evening, April 22. This special affair was arranged for the purpose of getting members of the Camp together to reorganize, as it has been in a state of inactivity for some time. Dr. J. L. Reynolds of Clio, State Deputy, was present for the occasion and had charge of the meeting.

After the barbecue supper, which was served at the Resettlement Administration lumber plant in West Elba, members repaired to the hall in the May building, where several candidates were initiated into the order. Chestnut Grove Camp officers had charge of this part of the meeting. Everyone in attendance reported a good time at both the barbecue and special initiatory meeting.

Another meeting will be held next Thursday night, May 6, at which time officers for the year will be elected. Every member of the Camp is urged to be present and bring one or more new members.

Officers and members of Crockett Camp wish to thank Dr. Reynolds and the officers of Chestnut Grove for their presence and efforts in making last week's meeting a success.

MR. RHODES SUCCUMBS AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Mr. Amie R. Rhodes, age 62, life long resident of Coffee and highly esteemed citizen, passed away Saturday evening, April 17, at his home in the Friendship community in the Southern part of the county, after a short illness.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 18, at 3:00 o'clock by Elder Jack Mitchell, assisted by Rev. M. L. Carnley, at Friendship Baptist Church. Afterwards his remains were laid to rest in the church cemetery beside his wife, Mrs. Mattie Wilson Rhodes, who preceded him more than a year. Elba Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mr. Rhodes was stricken with pneumonia on Tuesday morning, April 13, and his condition became critical the following day. He was a member of one of the leading families of the county, and had always taken an active part in all public affairs of his community and county. He had a host of friends in all walks of life who are deeply grieved at his passing.

He leaves to mourn his death, one brother, Miles S. Rhodes, of Elba; two daughters, Miss Vinola Rhodes, of Butler, Ala., and Mrs. J. M. C. Davis of near Samson; four sons, Messrs. Claude Rhodes of Elba, Clarence Rhodes of Samson, Clyde Rhodes of Kinston and Carlos Rhodes of Friendship. Also a number of grand children and great-grand children.

MRS. MATHIS HOSTESS TO BRIDGE CLUB SATURDAY—

As a compliment to members of her bridge club, Mrs. P. G. Mathis was hostess at a pretty bridge party Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. Jeter on Simmons Street. Woodland flowers formed the colorful decoration of the entertaining rooms.

Three tables of players participated in the games. Late in the afternoon Mrs. Mathis, assisted by Mrs. Jeter, served a salad course with iced tea.

Guests included Mesdames Sam Rowe, Sam Sawyer, Roberta Childs, Erline Morrow, Claude Dorsey, Walter Jackson, Harold Deal, E. H. Michel, Ella V. Boothe, Jake Morrow, Getheral Pinckard, H. Jeter and Miss Gladys Clark. Mrs. Harold English was a tea guest.

MRS. PRESCOTT HOSTESS TO METHODIST LADIES—

The Methodist Missionary Society met for the special fourth Monday business and social meeting in the home of Mrs. Mayo Prescott on Hickman Avenue, Monday afternoon, April 26th, with Mrs. Prescott and Mrs. Roberta Childs as joint hostesses.

The home was attractively decorated with roses and larkspur.

Mrs. D. C. Marley, president, presided, and Mrs. W. J. Hughes was leader of the following program:

Report of Missionary Conference held recently in Mobile, by Mrs. Walker Bancroft, the Society's delegate.

Missionary News Items—Mrs. J. M. Rowe.

Song—"Come Thou Almighty King."

Devotional, Luke 10:1-20, and story, "The Disciple Always A Missionary"—Mrs. W. J. Hughes.

Home Mission Evangelism—Mrs. A. C. Dunaway.

Song—"Abide With Me."

Watchword.

Following the program, a delightful social hour was enjoyed, at which time the hostesses, assisted by Mrs. Harold Deal, served salad and iced tea.

Mr. Charles Rowe of Montgomery was in Elba the first of the week attending circuit court.

Mrs. J. W. McRae of Louisville is spending some time in Elba with her sister, Mrs. F. D. Veal.

Circuit Court Adjourned Tuesday; Juries Try Two Cases; Many Are Settled

The regular jury civil term of the Circuit Court of Coffee for the Elba Division convened Monday morning and by Tuesday afternoon all cases on the docket had been called and disposed of in some manner. The majority of the cases were continued for various reasons satisfactory to the court. Most of these were paving assessment cases in the City of Elba.

Only two cases were tried by jury and both of these resulted in verdicts for the defendants. Settlement between the parties were effected in a number of cases. One of the largest cases settled was that of Mrs. Minnie Blue vs. The Praetorians. The suit was brought for collection of an insurance policy on the late Sam Blue, popular rural mail carrier of Elba. Full payment of the policy in the amount of $5,000.00 was made by the defendant and the suit was dismissed.

Below is given the other cases and disposition made of each:

J. J. Payne vs. J. A. Vaughan, Deft., W. W. Boutwell, Clmt., Claim Suit. Settled between parties.

J. T. Anderson vs. J. W. McCollough, assumpsit. Jury and verdict for defendant.

Henry King and H. M. Johnson vs. George T. Young, damages. Dismissed.

Mary Jane Hall, pro ami., vs. Olin Reeves, et al, damages. Jury and verdict for defendant.

C. E. Dorsey, etc., vs. J. D. Mock, Dallas Wise, Clmt., Claim suit. Settled between parties.

City of Elba vs. M. B. Miller, Appeal. Dismissed.

City of Elba vs. H. C. Talbot, Appeal. Dismissed.

M. N. Rushing vs. Iva Armstrong, et al, Assumpsit. Settled between parties.

Mack Kelly vs. Artis Smith, Appeal. Dismissed.

HENRY E. MARTIN, VICTORIA FARMER, PASSES TUESDAY

Mr. Henry E. Martin, prominent citizen and farmer of Victoria, passed away at his home Tuesday morning, April 27th, at three o'clock. He had been ill only four days, suffering from a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Martin was 65 years of age and was born and reared in the county. He was a member of one of that section's largest and most influential families, and was held in high esteem by a wide circle of friends.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Edna Martin, surviving are three sons: Cecil, Bill and Sam Martin; five daughters, Mrs. Mamie Dismuke, Mrs. Eunice Stone, Mrs. Virgie Stephens, Mrs. Dixie Mae Maddox, Mrs. Rosa Bell Allen; two sisters, Mrs. Mattie Sinquefield and Mrs. Della McKnight; six brothers, Messrs. C. M., I. A., D. L., R. P., Charlie and Jimmie Martin.

Funeral services were held at Victoria Church Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock, with Rev. Plant officiating. Masons were to conduct the burial rites. Elba Funeral Home had charge.

CONFEDERATE PENSIONS AND OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Under the provisions of the Federal Social Security Act, the Federal Government returns to the State fifty per cent of the amount it has paid to needy persons over sixty-five years of age provided, however, that the amount paid any person shall not exceed $30.00 per month.

Alabama during the month of March paid to Confederate pensioners who could qualify for old age assistance under the Federal law $42,915.00. Of this amount the State was reimbursed fifty per cent or $21,457.50. These funds have made additional State money to the amount of $42,915.00 available to match Federal funds for other needy aged people in the State. The funds derived from this source have enabled the State to have without any additional cost whatsoever to the taxpayers of more than $40,000.00 per month for old age pensions. The State used this fund in connection with funds the counties had saved by closing their almshouses to match federal funds. In this way the State Department of Public Welfare took care of former inmates of the almshouses and many others in need of assistance. More than fifty of the counties have closed their almshouses and are using all or part of the money which was appropriated to the almshouses to match State and Federal funds and are, therefore, in many instances not contributing an extra penny for the old age assistance they are getting in return.

The total amount expended for Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children families, and Physically and Mentally Handicapped in Alabama for the month of March amounted to a total of $190,984.38.

Mr. and Mrs. Arden Bradley and daughter, Jule, spent the week-end in LaPine, where they were called on account of the death of Mrs. Lyman Bradley and infant son. They also visited Mrs. Bradley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Frazer, at their country estate, "Willow Glen," near Troy.

DOSE OF CARBOLIC ACID IS FATAL TO COFFEE FARMER

Mr. William Henry Marler, well known Coffee County farmer of the Newbia Cross Roads community, died early last Saturday morning at his home a few minutes after taking a dose of carbolic acid. Particulars of the incident were not learned.

Mr. Marler was a son of the late Dock Marler and Mrs. Victoria Marler, well known and highly esteemed citizens of North Coffee. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Eula Marler, and four daughters: Mrs. Ida Armstrong, Mrs. Lessie Pope, Mrs. Mattie Adcock and Mrs. Fannie Powell. He also leaves three brothers, Messrs. Sam, Johnnie and Simon Marler; and four sisters, Mrs. Lillie Warren, Mrs. Lena Nelson, Mrs. Lucille Carlisle and Mrs. Odessa Gatlin.

Funeral services were held at Pine Level Saturday afternoon, with Elder Farmer officiating. Burial was in the Pine Level cemetery. Pallbearers were: Howard Cook, Edd Bryan, Arthur Wilson, Jeffie Gatlin, Ross Hataway and Q. P. Mack. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of funeral arrangements.

Miss Nettye Flournoy, who teaches in Bay Minette, spent the week-end in Elba with relatives.

Louis Knox Jeter is confined at the home of his parents with a severe case of chicken pox.

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